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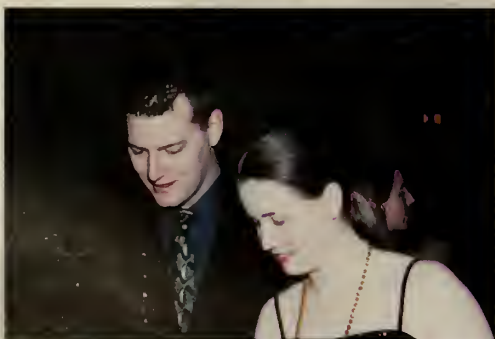




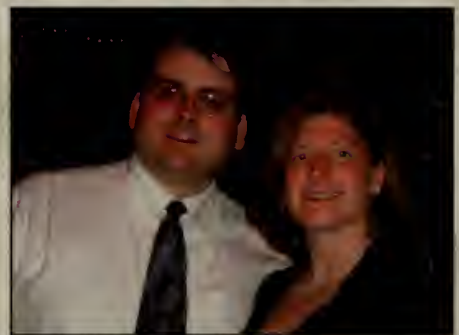
*When we began this journey we had a lot of expectations, but no real idea what we were getting ourselves into. We had good times and bad, from our first anatomy lab, to opening our envelopes on match day. There were times when we all wanted to give up, but as you page through this yearbook and see the M.D. on the end of your name, we hope you will feel that the experience was well worth the sacrifices for you and your family. Time fades all memories, but hopefully every time you open this book, the experiences you had during your four years of medical school will come rushing back to you.*





































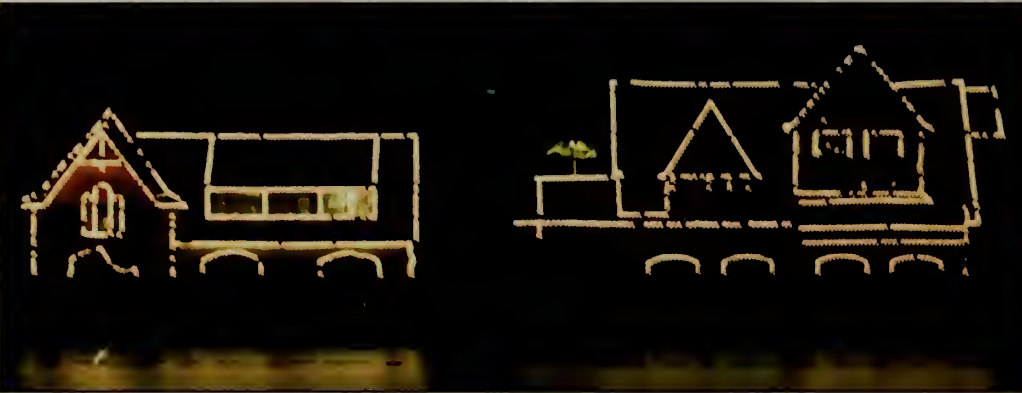








# PHILADELPHIA



Clockwise from top left:  
Boathouse Row at night ,  
Liberty Bell, Geno's  
Cheesesteaks, Lorenzo's Pizza,  
South Street, Love Park,  
Independence Hall, Art  
Museum



# PITTSBURGH



*Clockwise from top left:  
Pittsburgh skyline at night,  
Heinz Field (Home of the Steelers),  
Bridges of Pittsburgh,  
Allegheny General Hospital*



# MONMOUTH



*Clockwise from top right:  
The Monkey Tree, the boardwalk,  
the hospital,  
"Welcome to Monmouth,"  
"Free Housing."*



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March 10, 2000

Warren E. Ross  
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Dear Warren:

The Medical Student Admissions Committee is pleased to offer you a position in the first year class at MCP Hahnemann School of Medicine entering in August 2000. We congratulate you for this outstanding achievement.

We are confident that you will perform well and develop to your full potential in the Medical School environment. Your medical education will be a partnership between you and the Institution. We share in the satisfaction you must feel at this time and look forward to your future successes.

Your matriculation is contingent upon the successful completion of the academic work outlined in your application. You must inform us immediately of any changes in your academic program and obtain approval for such changes. Required courses cannot be waived.

Information regarding financial aid, housing, and other services will be forthcoming. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Office of Admissions at (215) 991-8202. Your phone call will be directed to the appropriate office.

Again, the committee and I extend our congratulations to you on this accomplishment and wish you the best in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Barbara A. Schindler, M.D.  
Vice Dean for Educational and Academic Affairs



# Hahnemann

1848, October 1: The Homeopathic Medical College opens its doors for the first time. Tuition was \$140 per student for a 2 year program. There were a total of 7 faculty and attendance was mandatory. Also, each student was required to complete a thesis to graduate. The College was located at the rear of 229 Arch Street in Philadelphia.



1899: North Operating Classroom

1865: The faculty votes to allow women to sit outside lecture halls and listen, but women were not permitted to enroll as students.

1869: The Homeopathic Medical College was renamed in honor of Samuel Hahnemann, one of the pioneers of homeopathic medicine.

1893: Dr. Rufus Weaver received the gold medal at the Columbia World Fair Exhibition in Chicago for his dissection of the human nervous system, affectionately named "Harriet."



1893: Dr. Weaver and Harriet

1900's Sports Cry:  
Succus, entericus, gastric, bile;  
Auricles, ventricles, sigmoid, chyle;  
MDC, CCC;  
Hahnemann, Hahnemann;  
Rah, Rah, Ree!!

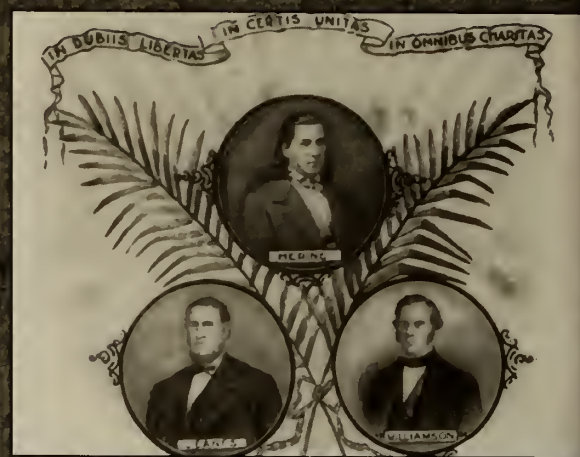
1928: Greater Hahnemann Hospital, a 738 bed 20 story hospital, (currently the South Tower) was built for \$2.5 Million. It was the first high rise teaching hospital in the USA.



1918: Biology Lab



1918: The Army Militia stationed at Hahnemann



The Founders of Hahnemann Medical College:  
Constantine Hering, Jacob Jeanes, & Walter Williamson



1893: Private Room In Hahnemann Hospital



1909: Hahnemann Football Team

## Oh! FRESH!

**G**RFXN and ignorant as you are back to the  
summons and admonitions as laid down by  
your most worthy superiors the Sophomores  
Class of 1906

- 1st. Let not your heart be over-much let your  
known fail you when in the presence of any  
Sophomores, but assume as reverent and humble an  
attitude as your infantile awkwardness will allow.
- 2d. On entering any lecture room all Fresh will  
remain standing in the rear of the room, with heads  
bowed in humble submission, until the Sophomores  
are comfortably seated.
- 3d. Do not stray into the precinct below the third  
row in any lecture room, as the reception bestowed  
you may be of a decidedly chilling character.
- 4th. All Fresh on entering the College building must  
be accompanied by their nurses, beside to the side  
entrance, and must under no circumstances show their  
childish faces on the front steps, as their presence  
there and their babyish prattle would surely bring  
reproach to the College.
- 5th. Corn-silk, cubeb, and cinnamon are prescribed to  
all Fresh having any inclination to smoke. Nothing  
stronger than pasteurized milk and "cherry" water  
must be indulged in by Fresh. One pint of milk will  
be served to each Fresh at the Dispensary daily.  
Fresh must furnish their own bottles and supplies.
- 6th. All Fresh are forbidden to wear class caps, prep  
pins, girls' rings or to adorn themselves with paper  
crowns or Orange and Blue.
- 7th. Cultivate humility and the art of dancing. They  
may be useful to you.
- 8th. Remember that a mistake upon the face of a  
dreadful Fresh is an eye sore to all Sophomores.  
Therefore Routens beware! act wisely! Get these  
beats in a hurried sleep or else then shall have thy  
crop shortly pruned.
- 9th. The Jack ass shall be the only method of  
convergence. Look to mistake and select one of your  
own kind, each's business is to have placed near the  
four-legged variety at your disposal.
- 10th. Any Fresh found walking on the streets after  
ten p.m. unaccompanied by nurses will be going re-  
ported to their trundle beds by their kind superiors,  
the Sophomores.

HAHNEMANN 1906

Hazing Freshman in 1906



1941: Women medical students were admitted to Hahnemann Medical College.

1940: Dr. George Geckler (1919 Alumnus) produced the first phonographic recording of human heart sounds. He also designed the "walk through heart" at The Franklin Institute.



1928: Hahnemann Nursery Cart

1948: Dr. Charles Bailey (1932 Hahnemann Alumnus), Chief of Thoracic Surgery performed the world's first successful valvular surgery within the human heart, a mitral valve commissurotomy.



1957: Dr. Charles Bailey (1932 Alumnus) on the cover of Time Magazine

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1969: Hahnemann Hospital was the first hospital in the US to install a completely automated Emergency Command System (Code 99- Cardiac Arrest)



(Left)  
1940's The Blue and Gold Yearbook  
Guess Senior Promises  
and Tradition

1981, August 11: Hahnemann Medical College gained university status as Hahnemann University with 4 fully accredited Schools: School of Medicine, School of Allied Health, School of Continuing Education, & The Graduate School.



1983: The Infamous Hahnemann Hospital Bed Race



1968: Dr. Walter P. Lomax (1957 Alumnus) treating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in Philadelphia

(Right)  
1918: Chemistry in the Henry Lab



1959: The last homeopathic elective was dropped from the curriculum at Hahnemann. Hahnemann Medical College was the last homeopathic school in the country.



1912: Hahnemann Ambulance

1998: Hahnemann celebrated its sesquicentennial, 150 years of medical education.



1899: Eye Surgery Clinic



# Medical College of Pennsylvania

1850, October 12: The Female Medical College of Pennsylvania, established by Philadelphia Quakers, opened its doors becoming the first school in the world to offer the medical degree to women. Tuition was \$80 per student for a 2 year program. Classes started for the 8 candidates at the rear of 229 Arch Street in Philadelphia (Hahnemann's Old Medical Building).



1855: Studying the Skeleton

1865: Dr. Ann Preston (Alumnus of first class) was named Dean of The Female Medical College after serving as a Professor of Physiology and Hygiene for 12 years. She was the first woman to become a professor in a medical school and to become the dean of a medical college in the United States.



1851: First Graduating Class of The Female's Medical College of Pennsylvania



1898: Women's Medical College Halloween Party  
I don't think there was an open bar back then.

1867: The Female Medical College of Pennsylvania is renamed the Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania in accordance with the popular notion that "female" is an undignified expression.



1890: Operating Classroom

1881: 30 year anniversary - graduates of Women's Medical College of Pennsylvania:

- 189 alumni of 276 responded (68%)
- > 60% combined general & Ob/Gyn Practices
- 1.6% surgeons
- 4% abandoned medicine for family reasons
- 33% accepted in Medical Societies



1905: Histology Lab

1929: The Women's Medical College Hospital was built in East Falls. I guess we take our Shelf Exams in a Historical Relic...



1903: Pharmacology Lab





1938: Dr. Catherine Macfarlane (1898 Alumnus), Professor of Gynecology, initiates a prospective study aimed at determining whether yearly exams of asymptomatic women could detect early cervical cancer. She received considerable acclaim and was published in JAMA and The American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

1944: Bedside Rounds with Dr. Catharine 'Kitty Mac' Macfarlane (1898 alumnus). She was the first woman accepted into the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, the oldest medical academy in the USA.



1895: Operating Room



1911: Operating Room



1942: Lecture in Klinghoffer Classroom

1969-70: The Board of Corporators approves the admission of men after a heated debate. The Woman's Medical College was subsequently renamed Medical College of Pennsylvania.



1946: Chemistry Lab

1971: The nation's first postgraduate training program in Emergency Medicine is initiated under David Wagner, M.D. at MCP.



1950s MCP X-Ray Reading Room



1950: Bacteria Lab  
(The foundations of our Microbiology Lab Hall)

1992: MCP offers a new problem-based curriculum, the "Program of Integrated Learning." At the time, it is the only such curriculum among Philadelphia's medical schools.



1917: Women's Medical College Ambulance

2000: The Medical College of Pennsylvania celebrates its sesquicentennial.



1904: Anatomy Class



# *The Honored History of Drexel University College of Medicine*

In the tradition of Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania and Hahnemann Medical College

1850:  
The Female Medical College

1848:  
The Homeopathic Medical College

1867:  
Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania

1869:  
Hahnemann Medical College

1969:  
Medical College of Pennsylvania

1982:  
Hahnemann University

1992: MCP-Hahnemann School of Medicine



2002: Drexel University College of Medicine



# Aesculapian: What does it mean?



So, you've just opened the first pages of your beautiful new yearbook, and you are probably wondering, "what kind of name is The Aesculapian, how do I pronounce it and **what in the world does it mean?**"

Actually, as we found when we began working on our yearbook that the origin of this title is both fascinating and very appropriate for a book that commemorates the many wonderful medical school memories of Drexel University College of Medicine graduates.

The word "Aesculapian" refers to a very important demigod in Greek mythology, **Aesculapius**. According to legend, Aesculapius was the son of the god Apollo and the nymph Coronis. Apollo saw that his child was educated by the centaur Chiron, who taught Aesculapius to become a skillful Greek healer. In fact, Aesculapius became so adept in surgery and in the use of medicinal plants, that he was frequently referred to as **"the god of medicine and healing."** Shrines and temples, at which the sick would worship and seek cures for their ailments, were erected throughout Greece.

## Aesculapius \esky əˈləpe-əʌ

Aesculapius had two daughters who helped tend the ill at the temples: **Hygeia** (whose name means "health," which is reflected in our modern word "hygiene") and **Panacea** (whose name means "all-healing").

It was reported that Aesculapius believed snakes to be sacred and powerful symbols of healing, and kept the serpents at his temples. The wooden staff of Aesculapius, always bearing a coiled serpent, soon became the **traditional symbol of medicine, health, and wisdom** still used today: **the caduceus**. What became of Aesculapius, you might ask? Unfortunately, some feared Aesculapius' healing power. Most notably, Hades the god of the Underworld feared that Aesculapius could restore the dead to life with his powerful healing arts. After sharing his concern with Zeus, who also feared the possibility that Aesculapius could transform humans into god-like immortals, Aesculapius was struck with a mighty thunderbolt which ended his life.

Although Aesculapius met an unfortunate end, have no fear; his legend will endure. As we graduate from medical school, we will continue to foster the tradition of Aesculapius, learning and practicing the healing arts of medicine.



# FIRST YEAR

## July 2000

- 26th PIL pre-orientation begins  
29th Matthew and Jennifer Kirkman get married...two days before orientation starts!  
31st First day of combined orientation

## August 2000

- 4th White Coat Ceremony  
7th Class is in session!  
11th Welcome Back Party at Chemistry

## September 2000

- 2nd Chad Cripe and family celebrate the birth of baby Ethan (seen with Linnea, Adison, and Dad studying)  
22nd SGA Welcome Back BBQ

## October 2000

- 14th Halloween party  
31st Halloween, with Dr. DePace in costume!

## November 2000

- 18th The wedding of Anthony and Yoojung Co  
30th Class of 2004 Bachelor/Bachelorette Auction

## December 2000

- SAMSA Diwali show  
11th 76ers vs. Timberwolves







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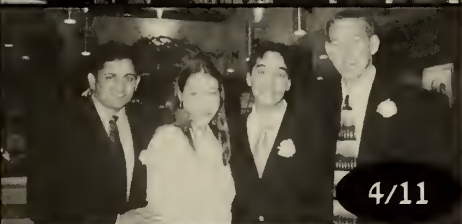
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## January 2001

**26th** Devastating earthquake in Gujarat, India. SAMSA raises money to aid the victims.

## February 2001

**10th** Winter Semiformal

**19th** SGA enters the 21st century & unveils their very own website

## March 2001

"Vital Signs" is resurrected, first issue published

**8th-11th** Brave adventurers Sharon Chinthrajah, Shilpi Mehta, Karen Dewar, Santhi Iyer, Matt Bock, Joel Holman, Justin Puller, Jenny Vengalil, Scott and Vickylee Moreau, Jonathan Miller, and Jen Capela go camping in the Black Moshannon State Forest

**16th** Pediatric AIDS Benefit Concert

## April 2001

Students initiate REMEDY program at MCP Hospital

**1st-8th** IFM Spring Break in Key West

**7th** Whitewater rafting trip

**8th** Paintball!

**11th** Golden Apple/Golden Stethoscope Awards

**19th** 1st Annual Alumni/Student Reception & Open House

## May 2001

SGA party in front of Queen Lane, complete with giant air mattress Twister

**8th** Gifts Registry

**12th-22nd** Pittsburgh Penguins vs. NJ Devils in the NHL Eastern Conference Finals...Becky Edmonds and Kristy Thomas are filmed for ESPN's game coverage

**31st** Captain Lucky's Booze Cruise



## June 2001

76ers vs Lakers in NBA Finals

11th Last day of first year!

21st Deena Levine weds Noam Davidovics

## July 2001

20th Joel and Hollie Holman tie the knot

# SECOND YEAR

## August 2001

Freshman Welcome at the Vesper Boat House

4th Katy and John Lilly's wedding day

6th Back for Second Year...is summer over already?

31st Nancy Solowski becomes engaged to Kevin Kampherstein

## September 2001

We have a brand new basketball court!

11th 9/11/01

21st - SGA Welcome Back BBQ

24th - AAHCN Health Fair

## October 2001

20th - Halloween Party

## November 2001

3rd - Lori Ibay spends her first weekend back in NYC with friends

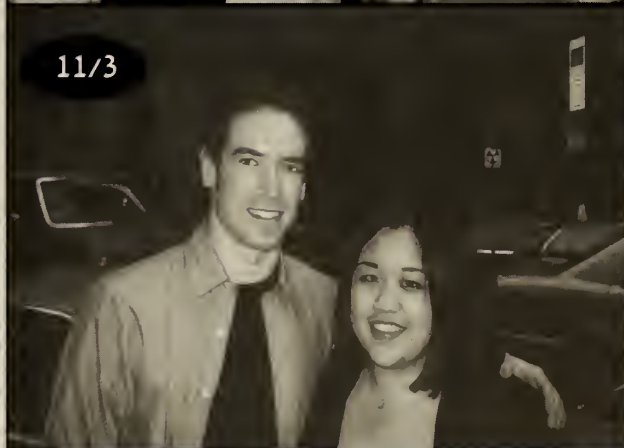
18th - 7 MCPHU Students join 7000 other runners in the Philadelphia Marathon

## December 2001

3rd Annual Diwali Festival "Celebration of Lights"

PIL Block II group dinner

26th - Anne and Rob Wiedemann tie the knot







## January 2002

30th Bill DeWolf's birthday celebration

## February 2002

8th Pediatric AIDS Benefit Concert

10th NBA All-Star Game in Philadelphia

22nd Winter Semiformal



## March 2002

6th-10th 52nd Annual AMSA Convention in Houston, Texas

31st Happy Easter from Tyler Seto

## April 2002

10th Golden Apple/Golden Stethoscope Awards

## May 2002

3rd Last day of second year!

6th NBME Practice Boards

15th Folashade Alade, Nkiruka Ohameje, and camera-shy Sarah Janicki become the second MD-MPH class to graduate from MCPHU School of Public Health prior to the merger with Drexel University

25th Anthony and Yoojung Co joyfully welcome Caleb Matthew to the family

Ellen and Joe Kim start their new life together



## June 2002

It's almost time for Step 1...have you started studying?

15th Sara Brooks visits the San Diego Zoo





# THIRD YEAR

July 2002

1st MCPHU SOM is now known as Drexel University College of Medicine

First day of clinical rotations

August 2002

September 2002

4th SGA Welcome Back BBQ

22nd Mariam Mahmud's baby shower

October 2002

SAMSA Diwali Show

25th Nancy Solowski and Kevin

Kampherstein buy their "new" house

Halloween Party

Mariam Mahmud gives birth to her first child, her beautiful daughter Sana

November 2002

18th Mark and Sarah Benor celebrate the birth of their daughter, Aliza

22nd John Gelthiser asks Alisa Merolli for her hand in marriage...she happily accepts!

Nkiruka Ohameje (shown) celebrates her birthday with friends

23rd Nancy and Kevin's wedding day

30th Scott Schweizer marries Mary Lou Klein in Wilmington, North Carolina

December 2002

25th Eric Isenman gets engaged to Georgianna Saling...

wedding set for 5/30/04

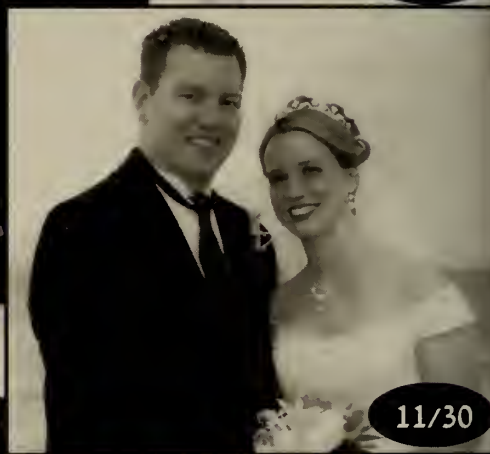
January 2003

31st Winter Semiformal

February 2003

9th Sara Brooks and Efi Kessous get married Las Vegas-style

14th Rose Antoine celebrates her birthday with friends





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## February 2003

- 15th Nikki Birmingham and Kenny Banh become engaged!
- 21st Pediatric AIDS Benefit Concert
- 25th Hockey anyone? Ash Naraghi, Chad Waddell, Elisabeth Mitchell, and Morris Aynechi at LA Kings vs. Pittsburgh Penguins

## March 2003

### April 2003

- 9th Golden Apple/Golden Stethoscope Awards

### May 2003

- 9th SGA End of Year BBQ

### June 2003

- 20th Last shelf exam of third year...anyone ready for Step 2?
- 26th Moshe Betzalel Davidovics is born to Deena Levine and Noam Davidovics
- 27th Alexandra Kaganovich weds Fernando Retana

### July 2003

- 5th Maya Shtitsman marries Boris Spodik
- 15th Philly Zoo Party

## FOURTH YEAR

### July 2003

- 7th First day of 4th year (My how time flies!)
- 12th The wedding of Todd Samter and Lauren Heid

### August 2003

- Kristy Thomas and Quin Liu brave "Superman" at Great Adventure
- 9th Lisa Cheley Espinoza's wedding day
- 20th Yana Gelman and Grigory Goldberg tie the knot
- 21st The birth of Katy Lilly's son, Jack



## September 2003

15th Welcome Back SGA BBQ

## October 2003

1st Beth Stewart becomes engaged to Venu Bathala

24th Halloween Party

## November 2003

Interview season starts

## December 2003

2nd-7th Lori Ibay takes a break from interviews, in Orlando

27th Melissa Pugliano and Lawrence Mauro tie the knot

31st Vicki, Kiran, and Alison are ready to ring in the New Year

Have you taken Step 2 yet?

## January 2004

2nd Amanda Adams gives birth to her son, Caden Sean Adams (shown with Mom on Match Day), 6 lbs. 11oz.

31st Winter Semiformal - a whole four seniors attend

## February 2004

15th 100 Days Party

18th Eliza Pearl Bier is born to Scott and Sarah Bier

27th Pediatric AIDS Benefit Concert

## March 2004

12th Francie Yao and Lori Ibay spend a record 4+ hours in the Wachovia Center watching the Sixers beat the Knicks in double-overtime: Sixers 99, Knicks 94

13th Kamal Dagly asks Geeta to marry him...and she accepts!

15th Pre-Match Day party  
Black Monday

17th Pre-Match Day Party at Murphy's





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## March 2004

### 18th **MATCH DAY!!!**

Match Day party at North by Northwest

20th Julie Silverstein and Chris Gordon get married

Tyler Seto and Greg Margolin enjoy themselves at Gabriel Browne's wedding

22nd Camera-shy Lori Ibay and her sister Anne join Mavericks owner Mark Cuban, Steve Nash, and the Dallas bench when the Sixers host the Mavs

25th-29th Bill DeWolf celebrates post-Match in Vegas with the boys

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## April 2004

4th Francie and Lori return to the Wachovia Center for "The Rematch" - Sixers 75, Knicks 86

7th Golden Apple/Golden Stethoscope Awards

## May 2004

6th Last episode of "Friends"

15th Captain Lucky's Revisited

18th Senior Class Formal at the Horticultural Center in Fairmount Park

19th Alumni Association Induction

Luncheon & Graduation Awards Program

20th Commencement Celebration

21st **GRADUATION!!!**







# CLASSES of 2004





# AMANDA JEAN ADAMS, M.D.

Geneva College, B.A.  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania



Thank you George, for being my best friend and husband, for remaining my biggest supporter, for helping me to follow my dreams, and especially for encouraging me when I've felt I'll never finish. I can't imagine a better partner.

Mom and Dad, thank you for all your love and for raising me to believe I could do anything I decided to. You can come and live with me when you're old.

*I learned this, at least by my experiment: that if one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams, and endeavors to live the life which he has imagined, he will meet with a success unexpected in common hours... If you have built castles in the air, your work need not be lost; that is where they should be. Now put the foundations under them..*

Walden by Henry David Thoreau

*For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any posers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God that is Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Romans 8:38, 39



*Amanda J Adams, M.D.*



# HARRIS A. AHMAD, M.D.

Wilkes University, B.S.  
Allentown, Pennsylvania

Ammi and Abu,

Since the day I got accepted into the Wilkes program 8 years ago, we've been looking forward to my graduation from my medical school. A lot has happened between then and now, but with your guidance I have succeeded. I don't think I would have made it without the two of you, thanks! And you were both always right, a child's full potential is only achieved with the active direction and support of their parents.

Sakib,

We've come a long way since the first day of medical school. Not many people can say they went to medical school with their cousin. Thanks for your support and advice.

Friends,

While I was in college, people said medical school was going to be a horrible experience. I still meet residents from other medical schools who say medical school was the worst time of their life. I guess they didn't go to Drexel University College of Medicine (formerly MCP-Hahnemann School of Medicine) because that is not what I experienced! I am glad my medical school accepted all of you because you've made these four years a lot of fun! Good luck!



*Harris A. Ahmad, M.D.*



# MAZYAR E. AHMADI, M.D.

University of California, Irvine, B.S.  
Irvine, California



*Mazyar E. Ahmadi, MD*



# FOLASHADE ALADE, M.D.

Long Island University, B.S.  
Drexel University School of Public Health, M.P.H.  
Bronx, New York

To God: Where would I be without you? I look forward to the future with you by my side as my Lord and guide.

To my family and friends: You have been my anchor, my sanity, and unwavering cheering squad; thank you for being there through the laughter, tears and fears ... we prevailed!

To my Nigerian crew (Nkiruka, Suwebatu, Ijeoma, Oyebukola, Rasheed): No one could have asked for truer companions, colleagues and countrymen.

I appreciate you all.

*The worth of a life is not determined by a single failure or solitary success ... however much we struggle it is a teacher's burden always to hope that with learning a boy's character can be changed and so the destiny of a man.*

*~From "The Emperor's Club"*



*Folashade Alade, MD*



# TANYA RENEE ALLEN, M.D.

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Teaneck, New Jersey



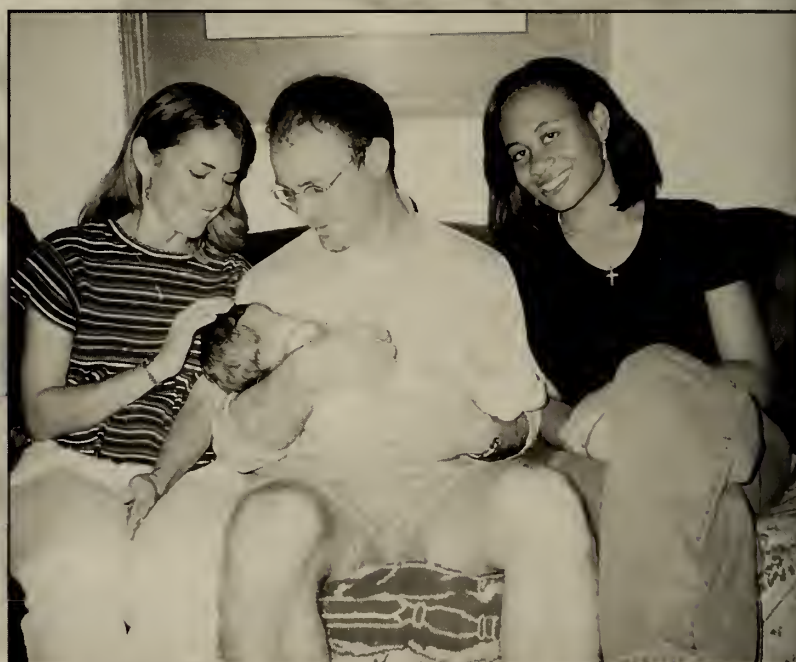
The road to becoming a physician has certainly been a long one. There have been many people who have helped me along the way. I would like to thank my family and friends who have been there to give me support, guidance, and encouragement throughout the years.

I especially would like to thank my parents. The times when you both made the 4 and a half hour round trip drive, just to surprise me with my favorite home-cooked foods and desserts before an exam, meant more to me than you probably realize. Thank you for all of your unwavering love and support.

Veleka, I am so lucky to have you as a sister. You have been my confidante, my personal cheerleader when I needed it most, and my best friend. I can't thank you, or express to you enough how much you mean to me and how much I love you.

Juel, Loretta, Tessy, Aunt Marylin, Uncle Ellis, Aunt Chris, Uncle Claude, thank you for all of your love and support through the years.

And most of all, I have to thank God above who has carried me the entire way. All things are truly possible through Him who gives me strength.



*Tanya Allen, MD*



# AMY ELIZABETH ALSPACH, M.D.

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*~Isaac Newton*





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*The greatest battles of life are fought out daily in the silent chambers of the soul.*  
~David O. McKay



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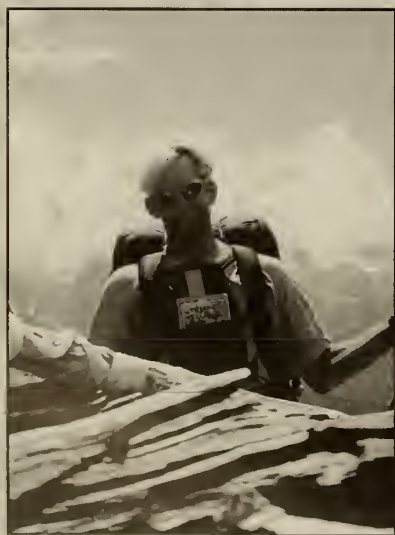
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*And let there be no purpose in friendship save the  
deepening of the spirit.*

*Khalil Gibran*



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*All are lunatics, but he who can analyze his delusion is called a philosopher.*

*~Ambrose Bierce*



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*Cu inteligenta reusesti a intelege. Dar intelegi ceea ce a fost,  
nu ceea ce va fi; sau ce va fi il intelegi abia in functie de ce a fost.*

*~Constantin Noica*

*With knowledge comes understanding. Yet understanding of  
what once was, not what will be; or what will be in regards to  
that which was.*

*~Constantin Noica*



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*~ Millard Fuller*



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*It's been a long road, getting from there to here  
It's been a long time, but my time is finally near*

*~ Diane Warren  
(from theme to "Enterprise")*



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*How many cares one loses when one decides not to  
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*~ Coco Chanel*





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After four long years of medical school, the only thing that I know for certain is the shuttle bus schedule. On a more serious note, I have learned as much about myself as I have about the medical profession these past four years. I have also met some incredible people along the way. I would like to thank my family and friends for all their emotional support. These last four years will not be easily forgotten.

*You got to be careful if you don't know where you're going, because you might not get there.*

*~ Yogi Berra*



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Mom and Dad: I can't thank you enough for all that you've done for me...from proofreading to puppies. I love you so much.

Bo: Don't worry, I can now provide you with medical attention for all future roller-racer high speed crashes! Thank you for making me laugh. You know I love you, even though I don't call like I ought.

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*What Reason weaves, by Passion is undone.  
~ Alexander Pope*



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Chad: What's wrong with you? Congrats buddy!! We did it! Thanks for a great four years of laughs, and I'm looking forward to years of more. Go Sixers. Lakers stink.

Friends: Best of luck to everyone, we have been through the fire together and have survived. Thanks for a great time and I will miss you all.

*Congratulations! Today is your day. You're off to great places! You're off and away! You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction you choose. And will you succeed? Yes! You will, indeed! (98 and  $\frac{3}{4}$  percent, guaranteed.) So you're off to great places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting. So... get on your way!*

~ Dr. Seuss



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Well, geez, it's November when I'm writing this, and graduation seems so far away. How do you start to tell your friends goodbye? How do you tell your friends and family thank you for everything that they have done along the way? How do I justify these four years of my life and this massive debt?

I'm not sure, but I'll try...

I look at myself as a hybrid of my own personality, and the people that have impacted me along the way. If I ever have half the personality, character, charm and wit as all of you, then I could feel proud of myself as a person. So, I wanted to say to everyone thank you so much for your support, love and fun for the past four years of medical school, I pray that no matter where we are we will always keep each other in our hearts.

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*Turns out not where but who you're with that really matters.*

*~ Dave Matthews*



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**Araba:** Cuz, I'm happy that you have become an even closer part of our family. You know you'll always be one of my favorite cousins!

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*He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.*

~ Psalm 91: 1-2





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**Ellen** - I prayed for a great roommate and God sent me you.

*I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.  
~ Philippians 4:13*



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**Lord Jesus:** Thank you for your amazing grace, your unfailing mercy, and your unconditional love. Who is there like you? *"My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever."* —Psalm 73:26.

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*We cannot live for ourselves alone. Our lives are connected by a thousand invisible threads, and along these sympathetic fibers, our actions run as causes and return to us as results.*  
~ Herman Melville



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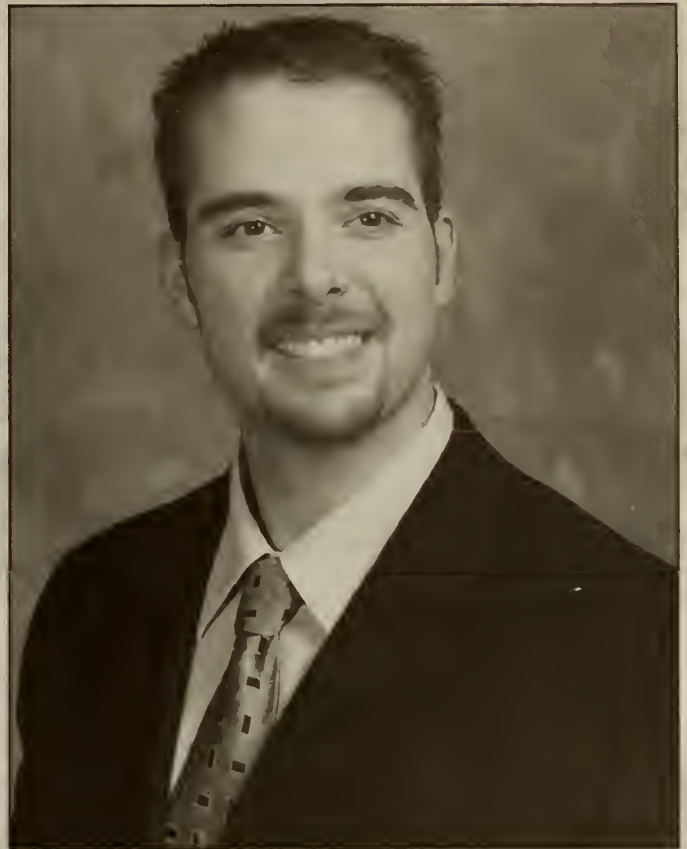
**To my wife April:** Your patience and understanding have been surpassed only by your love and strength to keep our world together. I am forever grateful and I owe you so much. I love you Tulip.

**To my parents:** You sacrificed so much time and energy to get me here. I can't believe I made it. It's done. I'll make sure you get 10%.

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*Always speak quickly, eat quickly and memorize everything. If that doesn't work, start breaking things.... works for me.*

*~ Graham Rhode Case*



*Graham Case MD*



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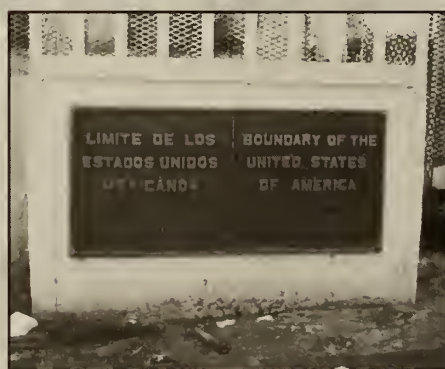
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*It's ironic that those who till the soil cultivate and harvest the fruits, vegetables, and other foods that fill your tables with abundance have nothing left for themselves.*

~ Cesar Chavez



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*It's only with the heart that one can see rightly:  
what is essential is invisible to the eye.*

- Antoine De Saint-Exupery



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ਅਕਾਲ ਮੂਰਤਿ ਅਜੂਨੀ ਸੈਭੰ ਗੁਰ ਪ੍ਰਸਾਦਿ ॥

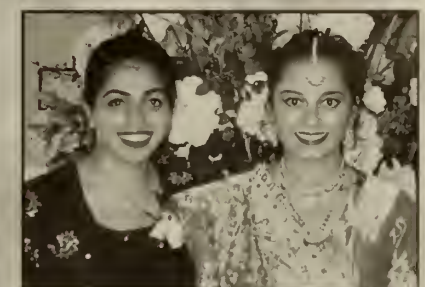
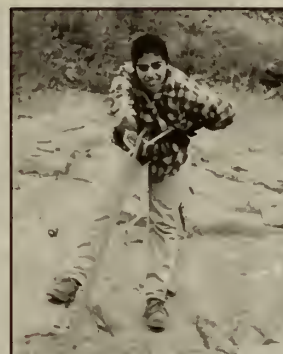
*Thank you Waheguru for giving me the strength to endure the last 5 years.  
Thank you for your constant love. I pray I will always remember you.*

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**My Friends:** Thank you for always understanding and giving me a needed break from the trenches. I only hope that I can be there for you as all of you have been there for me.



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*Because an idea is popular doesn't mean it is right.*

*~ Mark Twain*





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*If I persist, if I continue to try, if I continue to charge forward, I will succeed.*

*~ Anonymous*

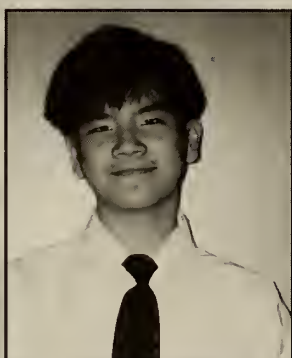


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*Learning transforms us, it does that which all nourishment does which does not merely 'preserve' -: as the physiologist knows. But at the bottom of us, 'right down deep', there is, to be sure, something unteachable, a granite stratum of spiritual fate, of predetermined decision and answer to predetermined selected questions. In the case of every cardinal problem there speaks an unchangeable 'this is I'; about man and woman, for example, a thinker cannot relearn but only learn fully - only discover all that is 'firm and settled' within him on this subject. One sometimes comes upon certain solutions to problems which inspire strong belief in us; perhaps one thenceforth calls them one's 'convictions.' Later - one sees them only as footsteps to self-knowledge, signposts to the problem which we are - more correctly, to the great stupidity which we are, to our spiritual fate, to the unteachable 'right down deep,' - Having just paid myself such a deal of pretty compliments I may perhaps be more readily permitted to utter a few truths about 'woman as such': assuming it is now understood from the outset to how great an extent these are only - my truths. -*

-Friedrich Nietzsche - Beyond Good and Evil

*I exist as I am, that is enough*

*If no other in the world be aware that I sit content*

*And if each and all be aware, I sit content.*

--WW



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*Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.*

*- Aristotle*



*Robert H. Cho, MD*



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Dad and Mom: Thank you for your years of hard work and support. You have provided for me, my whole life, in ways I cannot enumerate. Your unconditional love has allowed me to accomplish so much.

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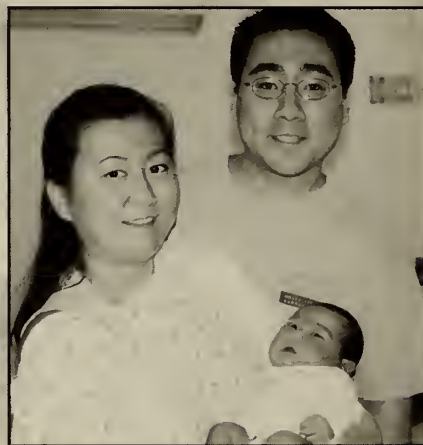
Caleb: Thank you for bringing me such happiness. You have given me a new sense of responsibility and purpose. You have truly changed my life.

Yoojung: Thank you for everything. You have shared in all the joy and pain, sacrificing so much and yet supporting me all the way. I could not have made it this far without you.

I love you all so very much!

*Whatever you do in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.*

*Colossians 3:17*





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## A Litany of Thanks to all the Blessings in My Life:

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*No one cares how much you know, until they know how much you care.*

*~ Unknown*



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Thank you for. . .

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*It's never too late to be what you might have been!*  
~George Elliot



*Kamal Dagly, MD* 77



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Cyrus

*The wise man should explain with his knowledge the secrets to the ignorant ones. Let not the ignorant go astray. O Ahura Mazda, let the Pure Mind be revealed to all.*

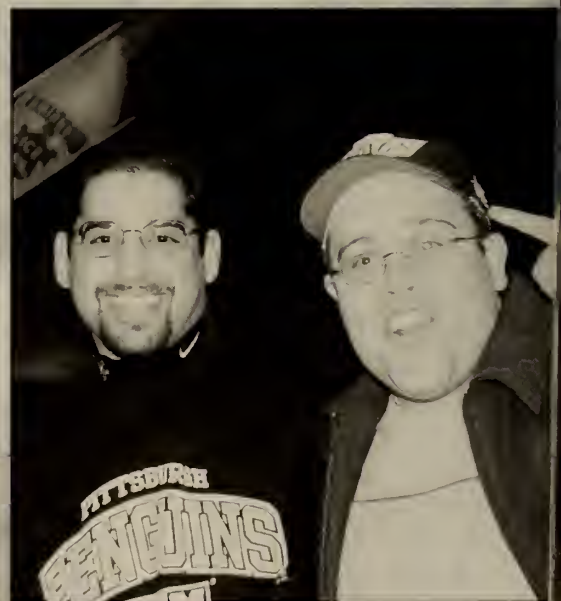
--Yasna 31.17

*I wish to be one with Thee through truth, pure mind, helping the poor and needy and protecting Thy meek devotees.*

-- Yasna 34.5

*I am Zarathushtra, the staunch enemy of liars and falsehood. I shall fight against evil as long as I have strength and shall uphold truth and righteous people whole heartedly. May I enjoy Thy spiritual and endless strength, O Ahura Mazda, and may I be Thy worshipper and devotee forever.*

-- Zarathushtra -- Yasna 43.8



*CKD Dastur M.D.*



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*Some men see things as they are and say why. I dream things that never were and say why not.*

*- Robert F. Kennedy*



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*Some people come into our lives and quickly go.  
Some people move our souls to dance.  
They awaken us to new understanding with the passing whisper of their wisdom.  
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They stay in our lives for a while, leave footprints on our hearts,  
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- Maya Angelou





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I harbor within - we all do - a vision of my highest self, a dream of what I could and should become. May I pursue this vision, labor to make real my dream. Thus will I give meaning to my life.

An artist in the course of painting will pause, lay aside the brush, step back from the canvas, and consider what needs to be done, what direction is to be taken. So do each of us as we choose our paths pause to reflect. As I hope to make my life a work of art, so may this hour help me to turn back to the canvas of life to paint the portrait my highest self.

*May my efforts to grow in moral stature bring me to the joy of achievement.*  
- Meditation, Gates of Prayer

*When everything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it.*

- Henry Ford



*Alison DuBoff, M.D.*



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Thanks to my family and friends.

Congratulations and continued success to the class of 2004.

Mike

*The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand,  
and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have  
applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand.*

- Vince Lombardi



*fun Elias.*



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*Anthony M.D.*



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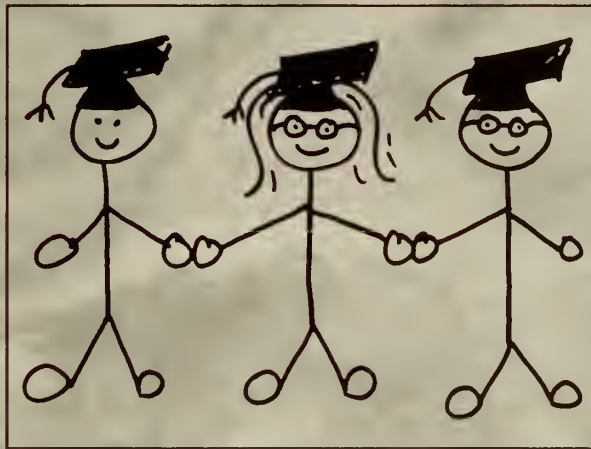
**To Mr. Man and JDS:** The last four years have been tolerable thanks to you, Family Nights, fort naps and face naps, JDS lectures, cartoons and a slew of inside jokes and impersonations. I've laughed more with you than with anyone else I've ever known. I love you like brothers. Here's to Abra Cadaver who brought us all together. Abra, I'm sorry we cut your clavicles.

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*Life's a journey, not a destination. And I just can't tell just what tomorrow brings.*

- Aerosmith, "Amazing"



Chrystal Eller M.D.



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*I DID IT  
MY WAY*



*Robert Engleman MD*



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*Thank you.....To*

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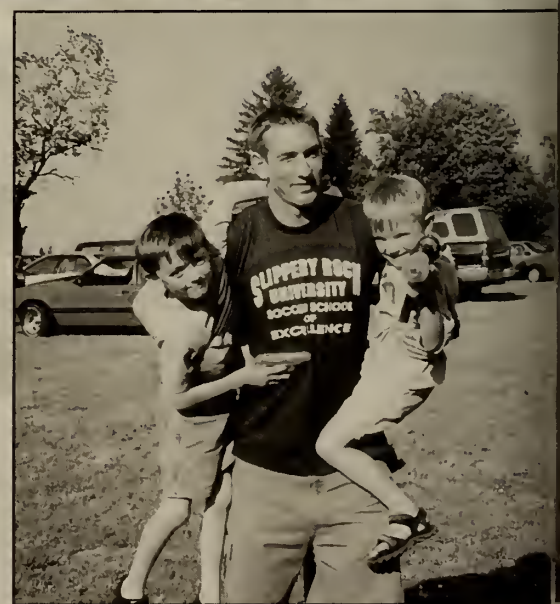
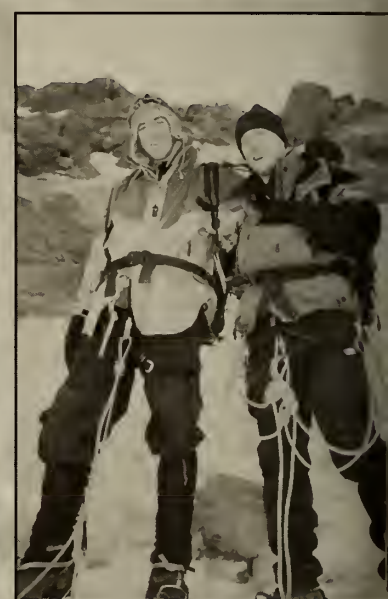
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*Your life spans a length of time. This time falls into two categories: of passing and of moments. Moments are few and interrupt the passage of time. But it is those rare moments that transform your existence into a life. After all, it is really the intangibles that define you. Moments are what you are. The more moments the more you are. Therein lies the secret to life. Find something or someone that can change the mundane into a moment and you will know true happiness...you will know life.*

---Robert Felix

*I love you, my brother, whoever you are - whether you worship in your church, kneel in your temple, or pray in your mosque. You and I are all children of one faith, for the diverse paths of religion are the fingers of the loving hand of the Supreme Being, a hand extended to all, offering completeness of spirit to all, eager to receive all.*

---Khalil Gibran



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*I may not have gone where I intended to go, but I think I have ended up where I intended to be.*

-Douglas Adams





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*"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."  
-Eleanor Roosevelt*



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*I have never let my schooling interfere with my education.*

*~ Mark Twain*





# TOBY JOHN GENRICH, M.D.

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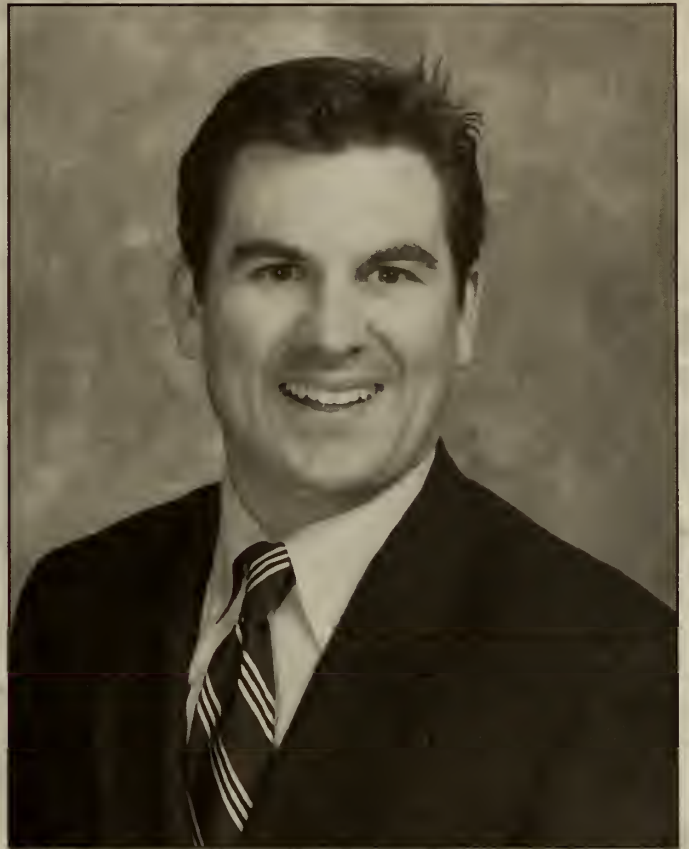
*Without my three precious Angels and wonderful family standing beside me, completing this journey would have been impossible. I can not thank you enough for your unconditional love, patience, sacrifice and endless support.*

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*for the leaping greenly spirits of trees and a blue true dream of sky;  
and everything which is natural which infinite which is yes.*

*- e.e. cummings*

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*- Omnia Vincit Amor*

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*Amicus certus in re incerta cernitur*

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*I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.*  
- Phillipians 4:13



*Tracie Gong, MD*



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*Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you've imagined.*

*--Henry David Thoreau*

*Destiny is no matter of chance. It is a matter of choice. It is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved.*

*--William Jennings Bryan*



*Abby M. Gonik, M.D.*



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*You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give.*

*-Khalil Gibran*



*Shelley L. Goodstine, M.D.*



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*Find something to do that you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life.*  
– Confucius



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*There are no secrets to success. It is the result of preparation, hard work, and learning from failure.*

-Gen. Colin L. Powell

*There is no experience better for the heart than reaching down and lifting up people.*

-John Andrew Holmer





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*Where there is love there is life.*

*- Mahatma Gandhi*



*Alicia Guevara, MD*



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- Mother Teresa





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*You can only find truth with logic if you have already found truth without it.*

*-Gilbert Keith Chesterton*



*Fatima H., MD*



# TRACY MONIQUE HERAUX, M.D.

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*...for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do everything through Him who gives me strength.*

*~ Philippians 4: 11-13*

*The most rewarding things you do in life are often the ones that look like they cannot be done.*

*~ Arnold Palmer*



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*In the beginning of life, when we are infants, we need others to survive, right?*

*... And at the end of life, when you get like me, you need others to survive, right?*

*... But here's the secret: in between, we need others as well.*

~ Morrie Schwartz



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*Don't ask yourself what the world needs. Ask yourself what makes you come alive, and then go and do that. Because what the world needs is people who have come alive.*

- Harold Whitman



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*From what we get, we can make a living; what we give, however, makes a life.*  
~Arthur Ashe



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*~Homer Simpson*





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*If you're going through hell, keep going.*

*~Winston Churchill*



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~Jesus (John 16:33 NIV)



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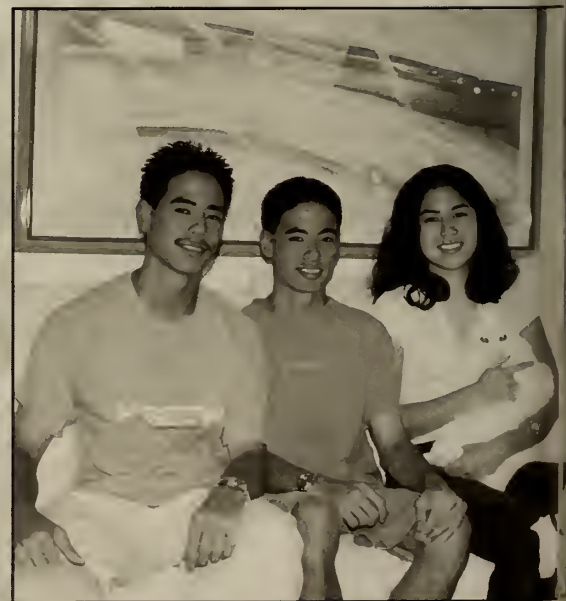
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*~Martin Luther King, Jr.*



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~John Wooden



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And lead us back to a world we would not face.*

~Ed Kowalczyk



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## ROSES UNDERFOOT

*The sound of salaams rising as waves diminish down in prayer,  
Hoping for some trace of the one whose trace does not appear.*

*If anyone asks you to say who you are, say without hesitation,  
Soul within soul within soul. There's a pearl diver who does not know how to swim*

*No matter. Pearls are handed him on the beach.  
We lovers laugh to hear, "this should be more that and that more this,"*

*Coming from people sitting in a wagon tilted in a ditch. Going in search of the head  
I found a huge rose under my feet, and roses under all our feet!*

*How to say this to someone who denies it? The robe we wear is the sky's cloth.  
Everything is soul and flowering.*

~ Ru





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*Live neither in the past nor in the future, but let each day's work absorb your entire energies, and satisfy your widest ambition.*

*~ Sir William Osler*



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*Leo Tolstoy: Anna Karenina*





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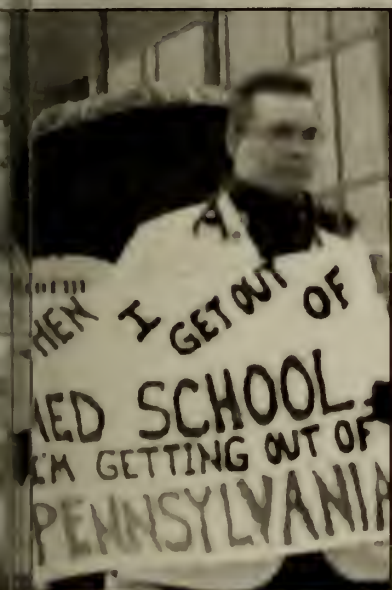
I'd like to thank my family for standing behind me. I'd also like to thank God that it's all over. Need it even to be said that I'm glad my med school pals were around when I needed them most. In three years I'll send you a few consults.

*Three faces wears the doctor; when first sought  
An angel's - and a god's the cure half wrought;  
But when, that cure complete, he seeks his fee,  
The devil looks less terrible than he.*

~ Euricius Cordis

*Life is a foreign language; all men mispronounce it.*

~ Christopher Morley



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*To you from failing hands we throw  
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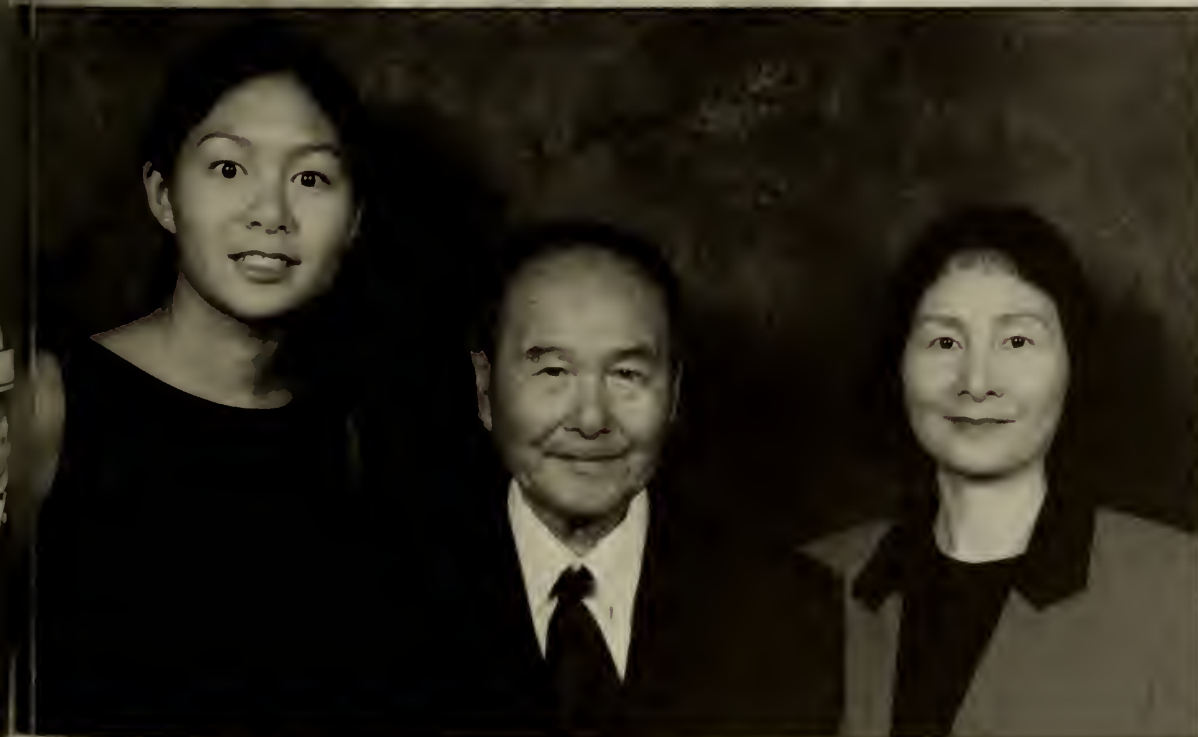
Thank you for your never-ending love and support. From the first day of school to medical school graduation, you have encouraged and inspired me to be more than I thought possible.

To my family and friends,

You have given me laughter and memories.

*We never know how high we are  
Till we are called to rise;  
And then, if we are true to plan,  
Our stature touch the skies.*

*Emily Dickinson*



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*With what we get, we make a living; what we give, however, makes a life.*

*~ Arthur Ashe*





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*~ Anonymous*



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*Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley: Frankenstein*





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~ Lawrence Sterne



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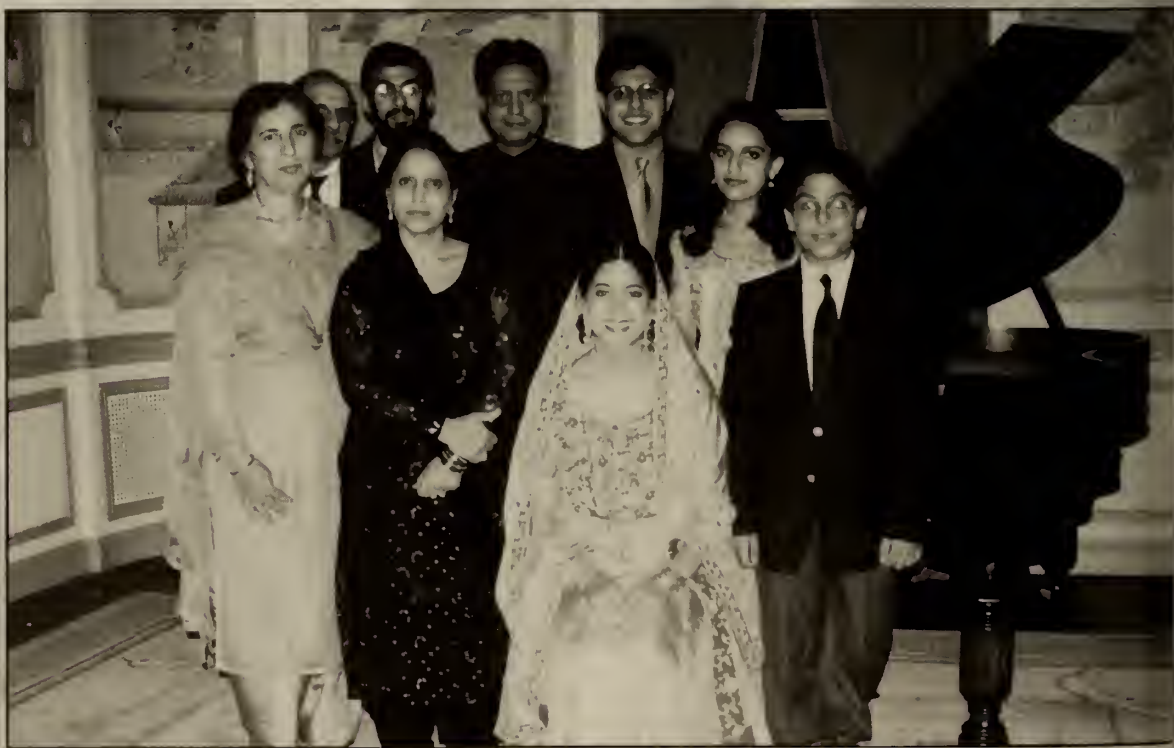
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*Be the change you want to see in the world.*

*~ Mahatma Gandhi*

*Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever.*

*~ Mahatma Gandhi*



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*-Theodore Roosevelt, "Citizen in a Republic," April 23, 1910*





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*~William Osler, 1903*





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Mountains crumble and leaves fade, light darkens and the strong laid;  
But baby, my love for you, will always surpass time due.

*Just because I don't care, doesn't mean I'm not listening..*  
~Homer J.



*P. Mittal*



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*Be a traveler, not a tourist*  
~The anonymous traveler



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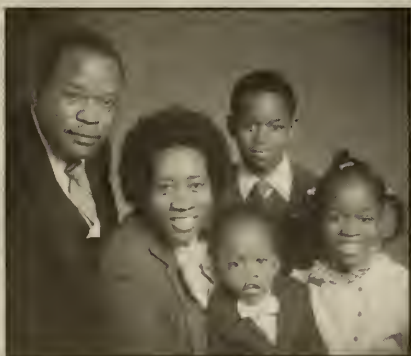
Acknowledging Jesus Christ in all things, I thank Him for enabling me to maintain perspective during this unbelievable experience. I thank Him for being my provision in all things.

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*The Lord is my Shepard; I shall not want. He makes my lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters. He retires my soul;*

*Psalm 23: 1-3*



*Shikata Almaria Mudakha, M.D.*



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Mom, Dad, and Eric,

You have been my biggest supporter, my role model, and best friend. Thank you for all your support and guidance throughout the years. Without it I would never be where I am today.

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*...My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness...*  
~2 Corinthians 12:9



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*I want to share something with you - the three sentences that will get you through life. Number one, 'cover for me.' Number two, 'oh, good idea, boss.' Number three, 'it was like that when I got here.'*

*~Homer Simpson*





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Heavenly Father,  
Thank You for taking me through and being with me during this season. Thank You for all the lessons You have taught me through Your Holy Spirit. Lord Jesus, help me to keep these lessons; continue to show me everyday, even as You teach me Your way, that You do just what You say...in Your time.

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*To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven... He hath made every thing beautiful in his time.*

~Ecclesiastes 3:1, 11



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*There is no security on this earth, there is only opportunity.*

*~General Douglas MacArthur (1880 - 1964)*



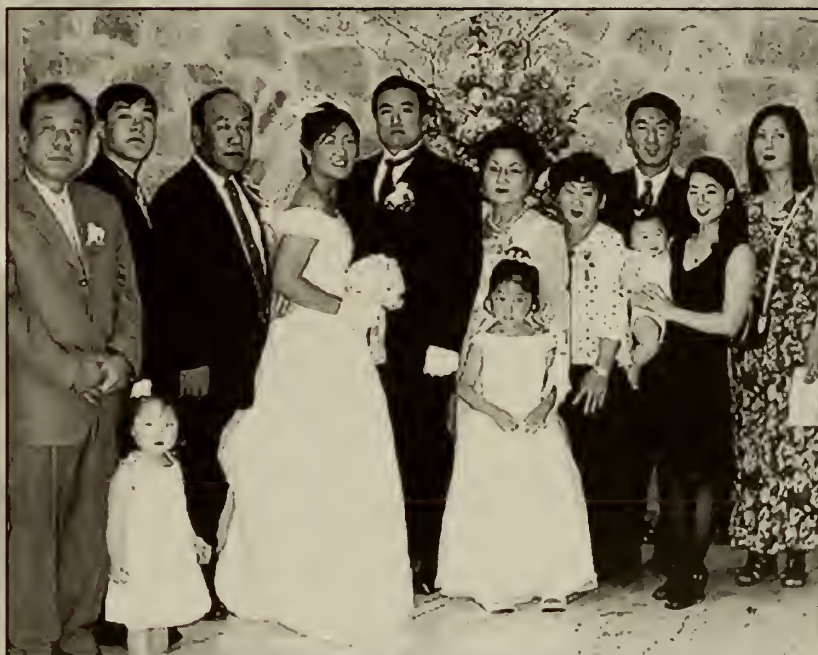


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It is said in the east that a good student will learn something new with training, and a great student will become something new. The road was long and possibly as much was lost as was gained during the journey. But the road ahead looks promising, and the summit is at last visible.

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~Luke 11:9-10

*We look not at the things which are what you would call seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal.*

~Madeleine L'Engle





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*Vision is the art of seeing things invisible.*  
~ Jonathan Swift



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~ Sir Isaac Newton*



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*I do not run like a man running aimlessly;  
I do not fight like a man beating the air.*

~ Paul



## Picture Captions (L-R)

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Justin and Joel Holman backpacking in the Black Moshannon State Forest, Central Pa.

Justin and Karyn's wedding, 6/23/01.

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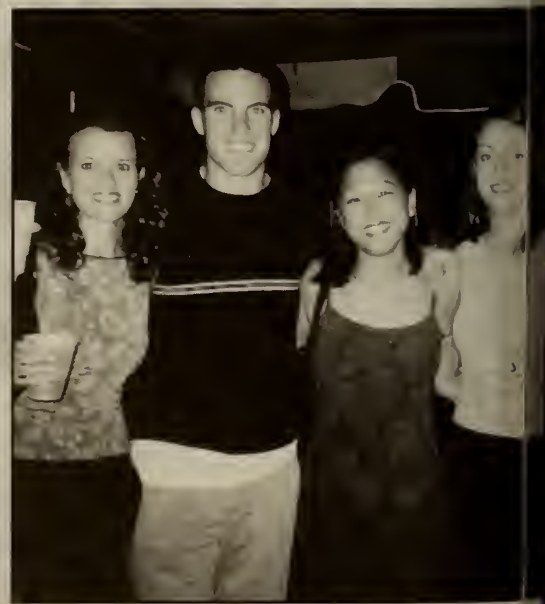
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To my family and friends who have been so supportive and encouraging from the beginning.....I can't thank you enough for always being there....I am indebted to all.

*Maybe in order to understand mankind we have to look at that word itself. MANKIND. Basically, it's made up of two separate words- "mank" and "ind." What do these words mean? It's a mystery and that's why so is mankind.*

~ JACK HANDEY





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*No matter what conditions you encounter in life, your right is only to the works--not to the fruits thereof. You should not be impelled to act for selfish reasons, nor should you be attached to inaction.*

*~ Bhagavad-Gita*

*Twists of fate and forces unknown are always at work...*



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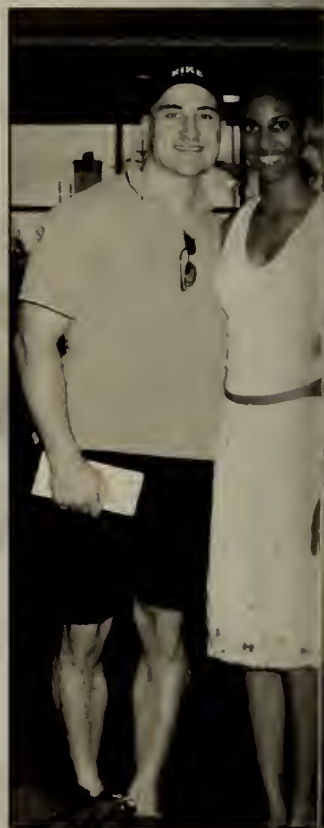
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## *To my parents & family:*

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## *To the Mittlepeople:*

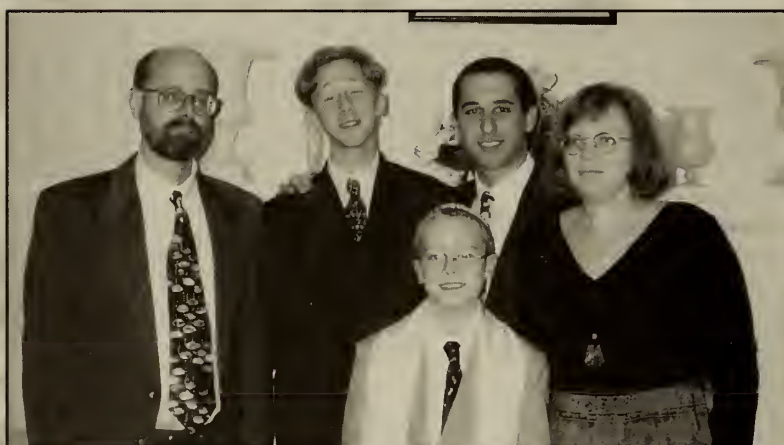
You welcomed me as family and taught me unconditional love. Thanks for helping me love myself and grow along the way.

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*It is good to have an end to journey towards,  
but it is the journey that matters in the end.*

*~ Ursula Le Guin*





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**to my Friends:** Thanks for all the crazy times, serious talks, support, and listening when I needed to vent. It was great to share such an important part of my life with the most wonderful friends a person could have.

*Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever.*

*~ Mahatma Gandhi*



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*"Rabbit's clever," said Pooh thoughtfully.*

*"Yes," said Piglet, "Rabbit's clever."*

*"And he has Brain."*

*"Yes," said Piglet, "Rabbit has a Brain."*

*There was a long silence.*

*"I suppose," said Pooh, "that that's why he never understands anything."*

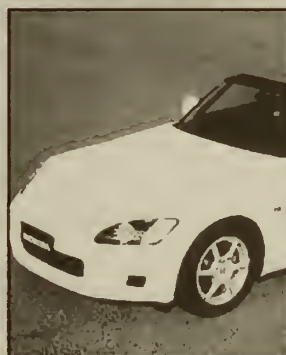
-- A. A. Milne





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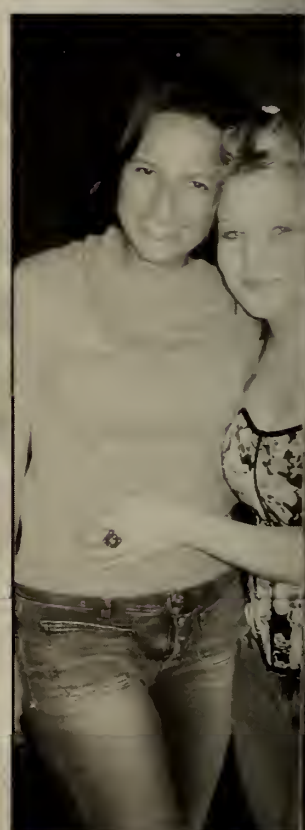


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om & Dad: Thanks for showing me how to use my eyes and my hands to do good. Thanks for teaching me to use my heart and my mind to help others. You have been ever loving, ever caring, and ever patient with me. I owe you my life. I love you.

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elle: Thanks for keeping me grounded. Thanks for being patient with me even when I wasn't. Thanks for listening. You have been my best friend through these years and I hope you will always be. I love you, my Snaku.

ends: Food, Diablo, Heroes 3, running, karaoke, drinking, NBC line-up, Smallville... thanks for the great times! Thanks for being my support. I will cherish these memories till the end, until I develop dementia. Let us eat, drink, and sing the night away again. As we begin our new year, remember what the Klingon's say:

llj jachjaj (May your blood scream)  
y' DasIQjaj (May you endure the pain)  
apla' ! (Success/Die well)

*Of all the things I've lost, I miss my mind the most.  
~ Mark Twain*

*Commit your way to the Lord, Trust also in Him, And He shall bring it to pass.  
~ Psalms 37:5 NKJ*



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Dear Mom and Dad,

Ever since I was a little girl, I have known your encouragement and support of any dream that I could imagine. I have always believed that I could do anything that I put my mind to, simply because you taught me to approach life in such a manner. You have instilled in me the value and pride in working hard to achieve my goals. As a result, I have never settled for achieving less than the best of which I was capable. Your advice, love, and friendship have been invaluable to me throughout the years. I am only where I am today because I have two incredible people as you for my parents. Words cannot express my love and gratitude for you. Thank you.

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*Don't you sit upon the shoreline and say you're satisfied,  
Choose to chance the rapids, and dare to dance the tide.*

- Garth Brooks



*Meghan Ryerson, M.D.*



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*Nothing is so strong as gentleness and nothing is so gentle as real strength.*

- Ralph W. Sockman



*Guillermo Samper, M.D.*



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*Per aspera ad astra. [To the stars through hardship.]*

*- Lucius Annaeus Seneca*



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*Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful.*

*-Albert Schweitzer (1/14/1875 - 1965)*



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*To accomplish great things, we must not only act, but  
also dream; not only plan, but also believe.*

*-Anatole France*



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To my family: Thank you for your love and support throughout the years - I truly could not have done it without you.

To my friends: Thank you for always being there to keep me grounded.

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*Always end the day laughing, and never let them see you sweat.*

*- Dr. Joseph Boselli*



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*When you're looking for something,  
you can never seem to find it.*

*When you're not looking for anything, things  
seem to find you.*



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*If you want to get somewhere, you have to know where you want to go and how to get there. Then, never, never, never give up.*

*~ Norman Vincent Pearle*



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Best wishes for everyone with their future endeavors.  
Make them count.

*Man has been called "the representative product of the universe";  
and we will do well to remember that in this position his actions  
represent the worst of which nature is capable as well as the best.*

- L.V. Jacks

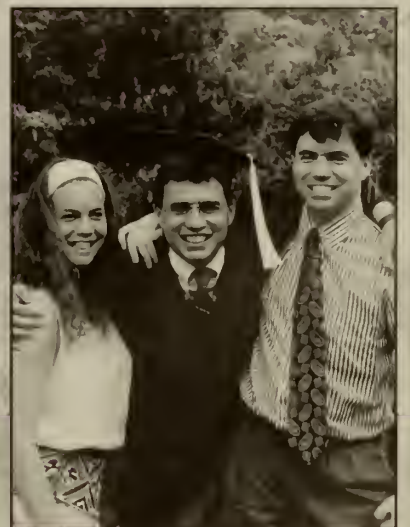


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*The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet.*  
~ Aristotle



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*There is more to life than simply increasing its speed.*

- Mahatma Ghandi

*In the book of life, the answers aren't in the back.*

- Charlie Brown



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*And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.*  
~1 Corinthians 13:13



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*The most important things in life have never been explained by science.*

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*What the caterpillar calls the end of the world, the master calls the butterfly.*  
~ Richard B. Sewall



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~ Ellen Glasgow



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*~ General George S. Patton*





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~ Bion



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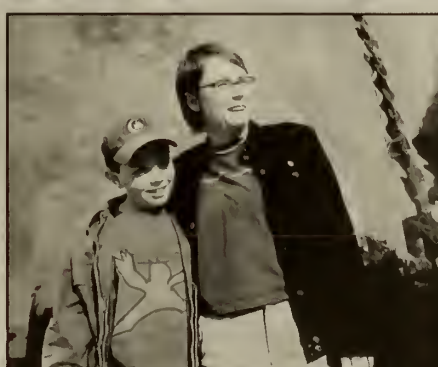
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*I have an existential map; it has "you are here" written all over it.*  
~ Steven Wright



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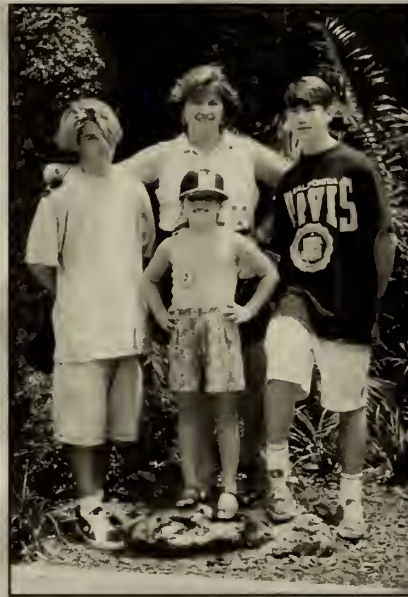
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*Let him who would enjoy a good future waste none of his present.*  
~ Roger Babson



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*My goal in life is to be as good of a person as my dog already thinks I am.*

*~ Anonymous*



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To my friends: Thanks for listening, and being there. You were there when I needed you most.

*And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to his purpose.*

*Romans 8:28*



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*Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless.*

*~ Mother Teresa*



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*There will come a time when you believe everything is finished. That will be the beginning.*

---Louis L'Amour



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*"Real isn't how you are made," said the Skin Horse. "It's a thing that happens to you. When a child loves you for a long, long time, not just to play with but REALLY loves you, then you become Real."*

*"Does it Hurt?" asked the Rabbit.*

*"Sometimes," said the Skin Horse, for he was always truthful. "When you are Real you don't mind being hurt."*

*"Does it happen all at once, like being wound up," he asked, "or bit by bit?"*

*"It doesn't happen all at once," said the Skin Horse. "You become. It takes a long time. That's why it doesn't often happen to people who break easily, or have sharp edges, or who have to be carefully kept. Generally, by the time you are Real, most of your hair has been loved off, and your eyes drop out and you get loose joints and very shabby. But these things don't matter at all, because once you are Real you can't be ugly, except to people who don't understand...but once you are Real you can't become unreal again. It lasts for Always."*

*~The Velveteen Rabbit*





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*Of course there is no formula for success except perhaps an unconditional acceptance of life and what it brings.*

*~Arthur Rubinstein*



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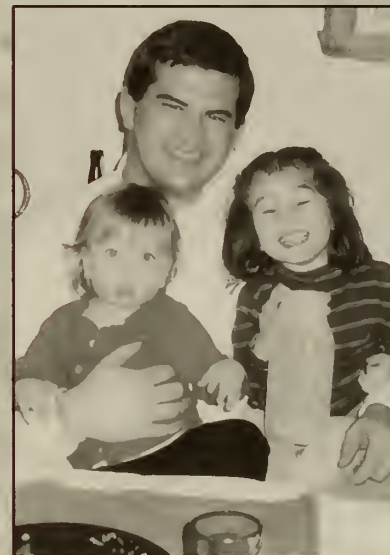
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*If I can stop one heart from breaking,  
I shall not live in vain;  
If I can ease one life the aching,  
Or cool one pain,  
Or help one fainting robin  
Unto his nest again,  
I shall not live in vain.*

*~Emily Dickinson*

*"Live, love and laugh"*



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*It's not your blue blood, your pedigree, or your college degree. It's what you do with your life that counts*

~Millard Fuller



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*Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined.*  
~Henry David Thoreau



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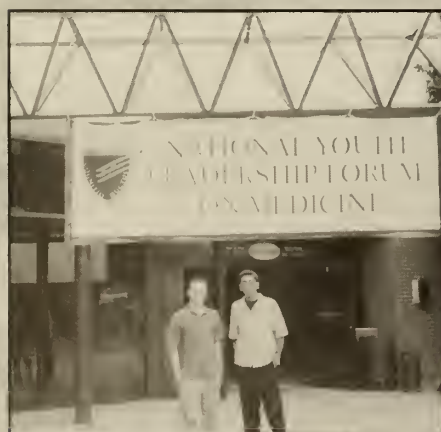


I sit here, thinking about my last four years. It's been one hell of a ride! I learned a whole lot of things. Even stuff about the pancreas. And about hemoglobin and endometriosis and the tympanic membrane. And maybe some other things. Wow, I sure am proud of myself.

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One day when I'm famous I'll look back on this yearbook message and say: "Hey, look! I knew I was gonna be famous even back then! It says so in my third paragraph! And I even knew that I would look back and say all this. And now I'm saying it and saying that I knew I'd be saying it!" That will be a fun day for me. I hope I don't freak myself out.

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To My Father and Mother: For everything you have given to me and every sacrifice you have made for me I cannot thank you enough. May you know that each goal I achieve and each feat I overcome is done as much for you as for me. Never doubt my love for you because every strength in my character and every value I hold close, I have learned from you.

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*Only those who risk going too far can possibly find out how far they can go.*  
~T.S. Eliot



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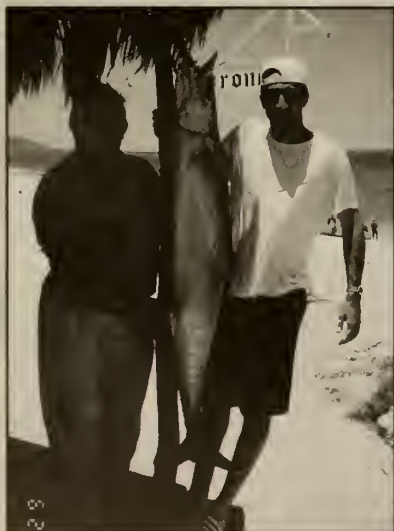
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*Listen to me very carefully. There are three ways of doing things around here. The right way, the wrong way, and the way I do it. You understand?*

*~Sam "Ace" Rothstein*



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Mom and Dad – Thank you for all of your encouragement, support, and guidance. I could not have made it here without you. I can't wait to see you more now that I will be closer to home! Plus we can return Squashie to her native land, and see if Sammy likes eating New Mexico's assortment of bugs.

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*Life can only be understood backwards, but it must be lived forwards.*

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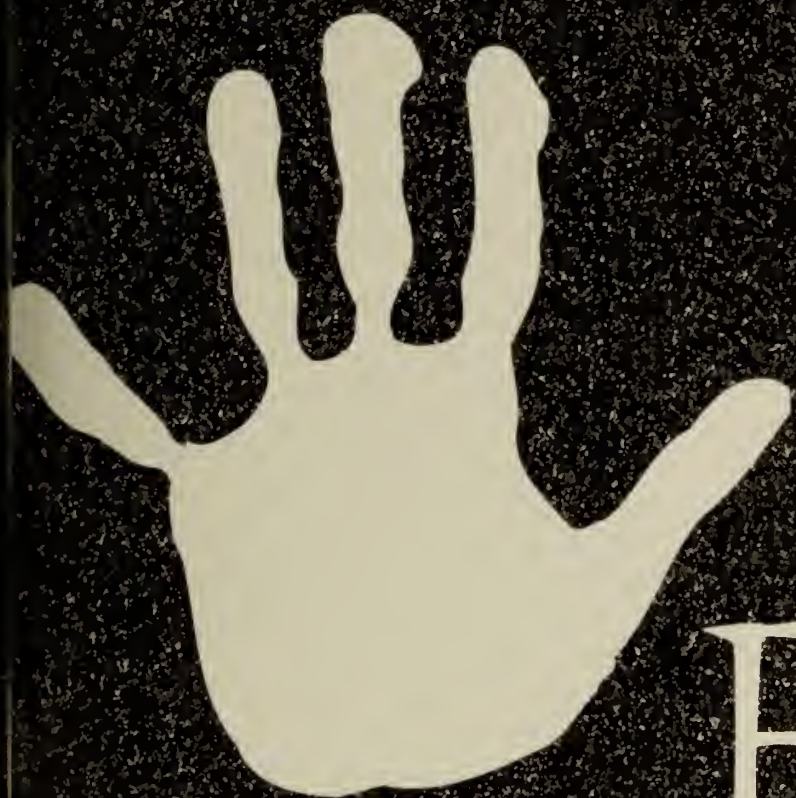
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Four years of laughter...  
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Four years of wondering if the light was a train or the end of the tunnel.  
It all began with the White Coat Ceremony giving us hope and inspiration. The universal medical school mantra rang out, "Work Hard, Play Hard," and we listened. We eagerly anticipated the time between our exams, and celebrated in style with the Halloween Party and the Annual Winter Semi-Formal. Our class even had its own special festivities, including the Auction and the SGA Barbeques. The years flew by, culminating in Match Day - the fruit of four years of dedication. After The Match we enjoyed each day to the fullest and partied like rock stars at our Senior Formal. Could we ever forget such memories? Never. We only hope that these pages will document the joy medical school hid amidst the long hours spent working and studying. We can finally look forward and realize that the light was the end of the tunnel, and it was worth every moment. Enjoy...

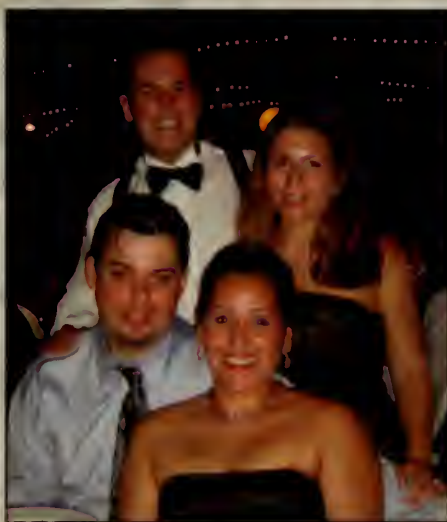
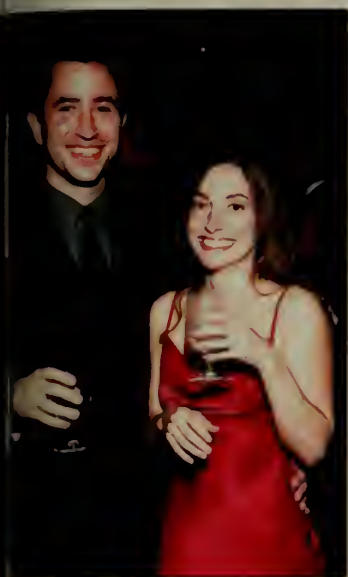








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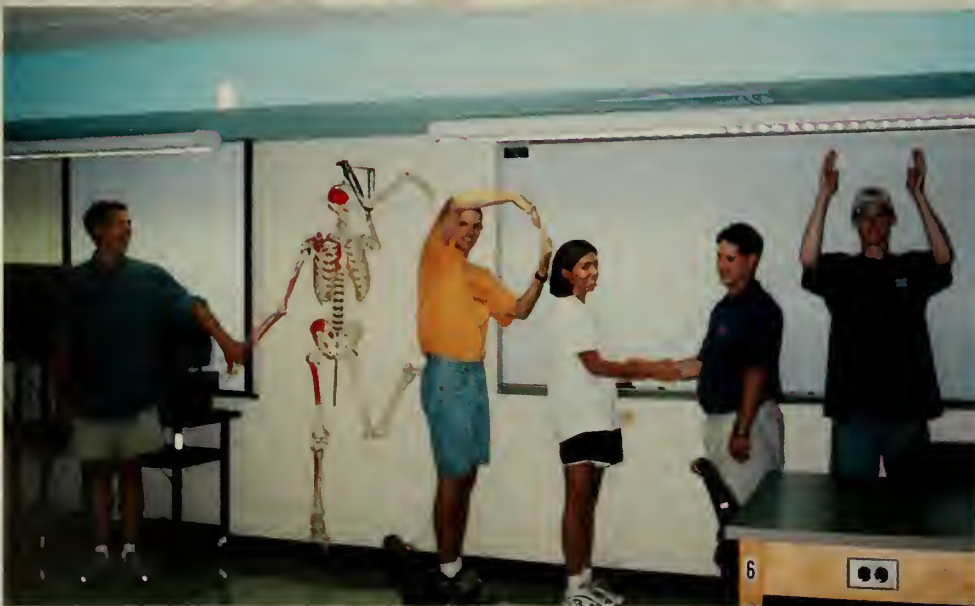








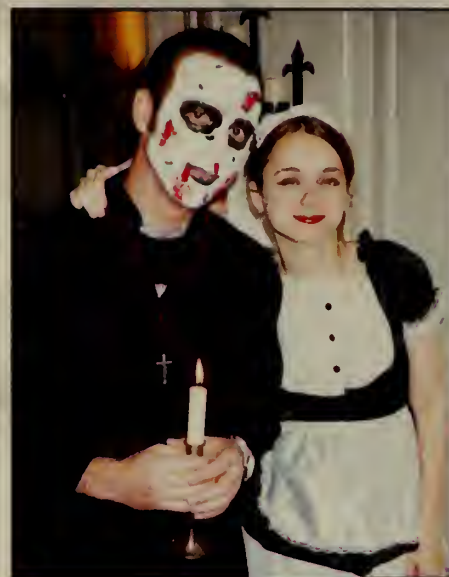




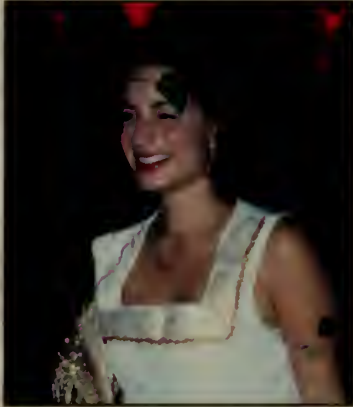








































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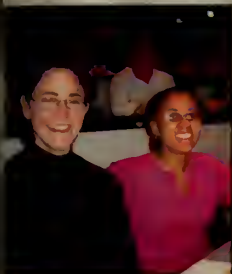
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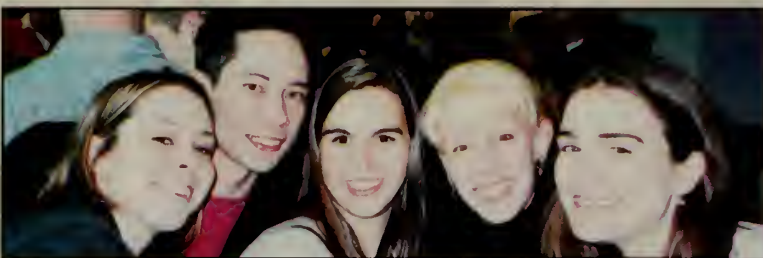
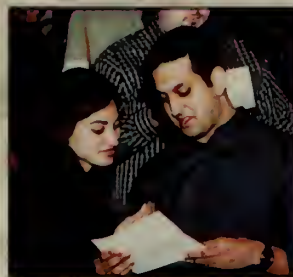
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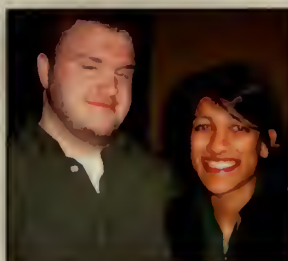
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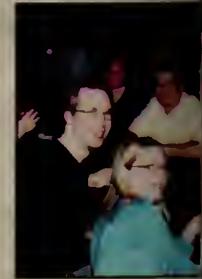
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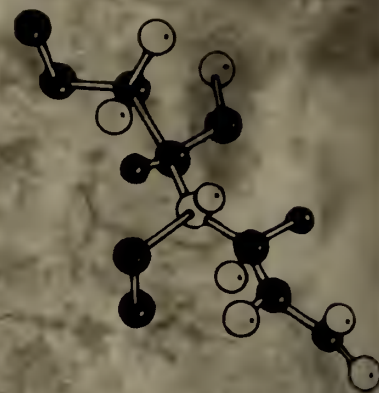
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There is a rich supply of  
ca-PILL-a-ries in your  
ske-LEE-tal muscles...



Like Ham and Eggs...



Picture me as the female  
reproductive system: my  
arms are the fallopian  
tubes...



Cecum and ye  
shall find 'em...





O! Farnesol, farnesol, good old farnesol  
 First it goes to squalene, then you get  
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*Ipo-tala-MOOSE...*



If a drug rep ever asks you what you  
 think about one of their drugs, tell  
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 Flyer's tickets in your hands...



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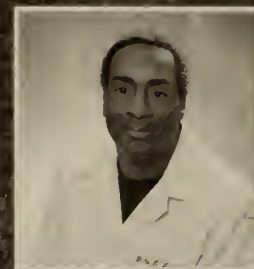
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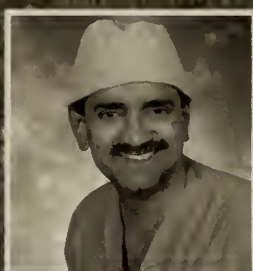
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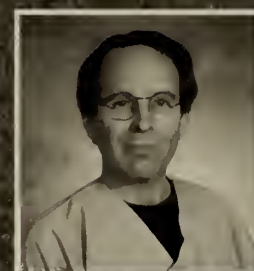
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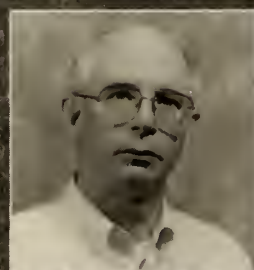
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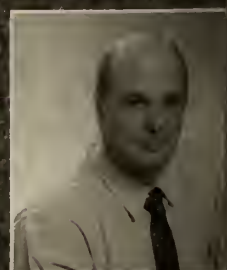
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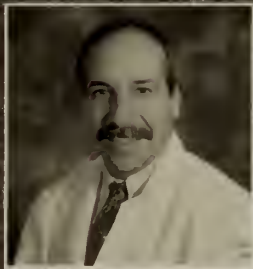
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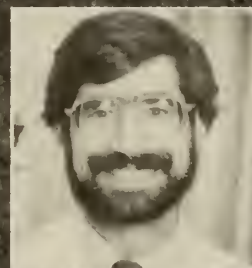
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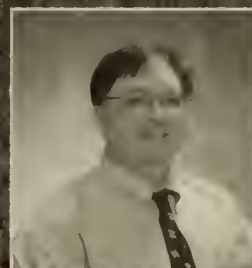
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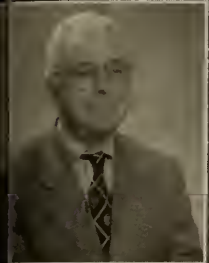
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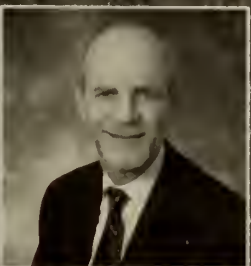
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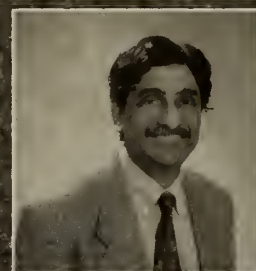
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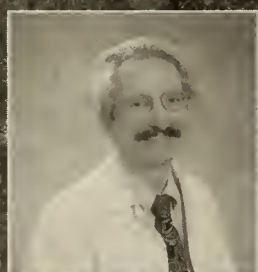
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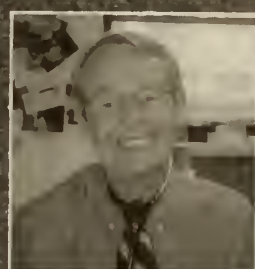
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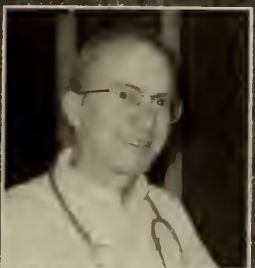
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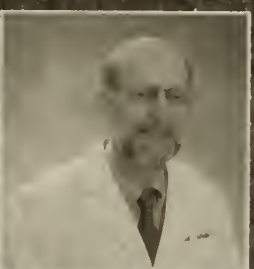
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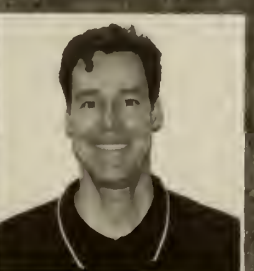
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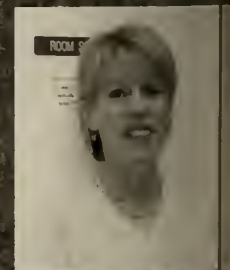
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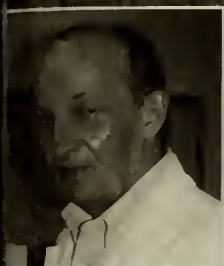


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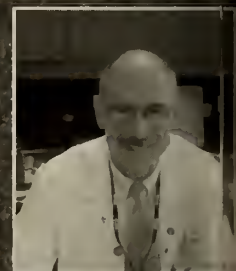
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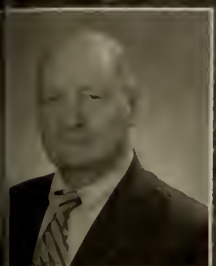
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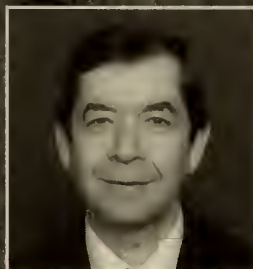
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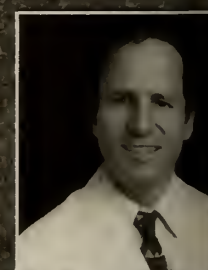
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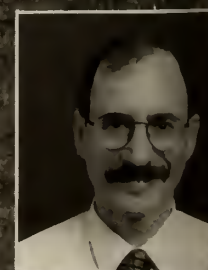
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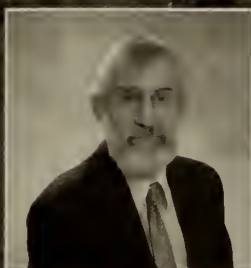
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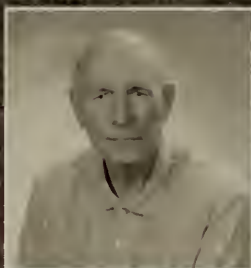
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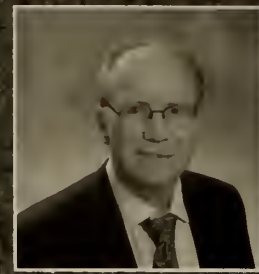
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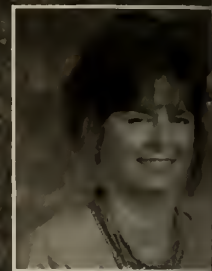
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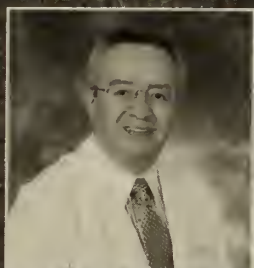
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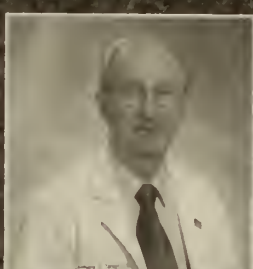
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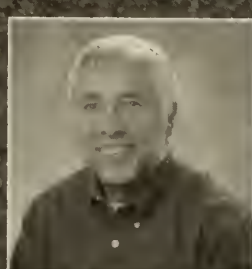
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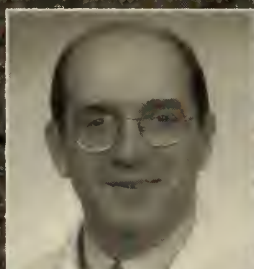
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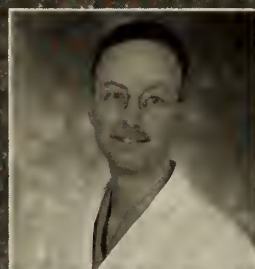
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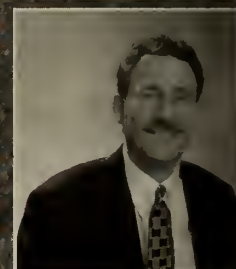
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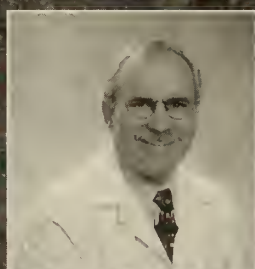
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**Raymond Talucci, II**



**William Wang**



**Gillian Zeldin**





# The faculty quotes that made us smile...

"Life, itself, is mutagenic,  
my friends." -Unknown



"I was thinking about  
teaching you the vitamins  
Sesame Street style...  
... 13 vitamins!  
1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,...."  
-Dr. John Swaney



"I'm here today to talk to you about the  
important aspects of patient care."  
<<Beeper goes off and he looks down  
at it.>>  
"Oh ... whatever. They can wait."  
-Dr. Dennis Novack



"And you thought this was  
going to be a boring lecture....  
Believe me, it will turn out to  
be." -Dr. Akhil Vaiday

"Nobody's going to make a  
big deal out of interlobular  
and intralobular. So don't  
get yourself all worried  
about it. There are far more  
important things about the  
breast."

-Dr. Rhea Levine



"Thymine Dimers.  
These are pretty  
cool.

... Yeah, well, it's  
lonely being me..."

-Dr. Joe Nickels



"You see, it's kind of like a snack sometimes ... kind of  
like a Snapple." - Georgette Bartrell regarding the  
baby's short attention to breastfeeding during the  
breastfeeding session.



There's a fungus  
among us."  
Dr. Cheryl Hanau



"Oh my gosh blood! Someone  
call a vascular surgeon!"  
-Dr. Michael Weingarten



"Nothing enhances  
the pertinence of a  
question like knowing  
the answer."

-Dr. Paul Rapp

"Last year I was in trouble, I  
missed the Menstrual Period. Not  
my own, I mean the module."  
-Dr. Chih

"Don't worry y'all I finished near  
the bottom of my class and failed  
Step 1 the first time and I'm still a  
doctor."

- Dean Sam Parrish

"\$%\*! The average physician cuts off  
their patient's opening comments after 7  
seconds... that's far too long."  
- Dr. Seth Zwillenberg



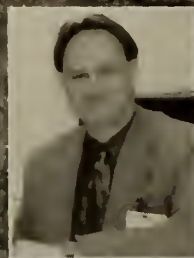
"Your whole class  
is stupid! How did  
any of you get into  
medical school?"  
-Dr. Lewis Kaplan



# ALLEGHENY GENERAL HOSPITAL



JAMES WILBERGER, JR., MD  
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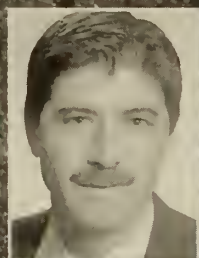
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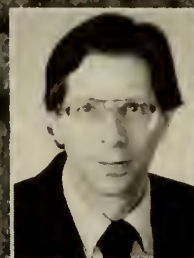
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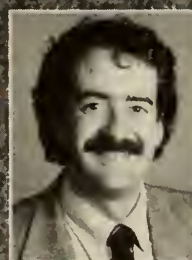
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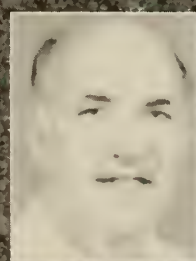
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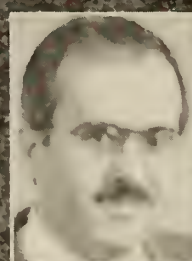
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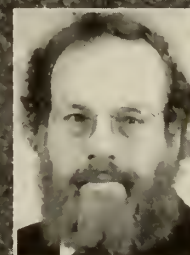
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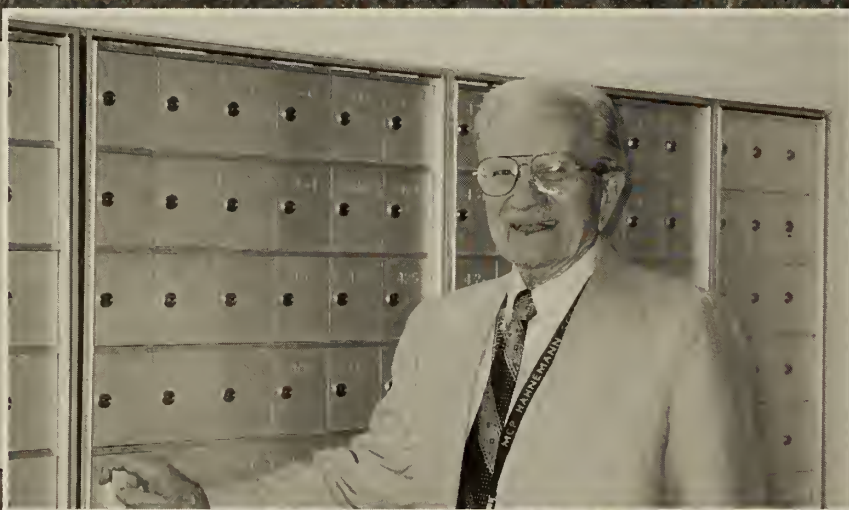
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**Leonard Hitch**  
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**Candice Robertson**





# Golden Apple & Stethoscope Awards

## In recognition of excellence in teaching



We never could have made it this far without a group of dedicated faculty. We would like to thank all our professors and especially recognize the recipients of the Golden Apple and Stethoscope Awards given by the Class of 2004 over the years.



### First Year April 11, 2001

#### Interdisciplinary Foundations of Medicine curriculum

Denise Ferrier, Ph.D., Department of Biochemistry, MCPHU

Janet Smitb, Ph.D., Department of Neurobiology and Anatomy, MCPHU

#### Program for Integrated Learning curriculum

Francis Sessler, Ph.D., Department of Neurobiology and Anatomy, MCPHU



#### Nonfaculty staff member

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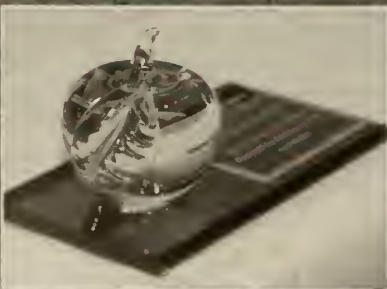
Susan Zern, M.D., Adjunct Faculty, ILS Facilitator



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Lisa Cifelli, Assistant Director for Admissions







## Third Year April 9, 2003



### Attending Physician, University Hospital

Douglas Katz, M.D., Department of Pediatric Surgery, St. Christopher's Hospital

### Attending Physician, Affiliate Hospital

Jennifer Lewis, M.D., Department of Medicine, Allegheny General Hospital

Eric Weppert, M.D., Department of Medicine, Graduate Hospital

### Resident Physician, University Hospital

Adrian Lata, M.D., Department of Surgery, Habnemann University Hospital

### Resident Physician, Affiliate Hospital

Jodi Leonardo, M.D., Department of Surgery, Allegheny General Hospital

Adam Miller, M.D., Department of Medicine, Allegheny General Hospital



### Student Body Award

Marie Hartman, Director of Student Services, Drexel Med

## Fourth Year April 7, 2004



### Attending Physician, University Hospital

Allan Tunkel, M.D., Department of Medicine, Medical College of Pennsylvania Hospital

Michael Weingarten, M.D., Department of Surgery Medical College of Pennsylvania Hospital

### Attending Physician, Affiliate Hospital

Alexander Rae-Grant, M.D., Department of Neurology, Lehigh Valley Hospital

### Resident Physician, University Hospital

Ed Aoila, M.D., Department of Neurology, Medical College of Pennsylvania Hospital

Holly Michaelson, M.D., Department of Surgery, Habnemann University Hospital

### Resident Physician, Affiliate Hospital

Matthew Van Deusen, M.D., Department of Surgery, Allegheny General Hospital

### Student Body Award

Jeff Reed, Division of Clinical Education, Allegheny General Hospital



We would like to thank all of the faculty and staff who played such a pivotal role in our medical education. Unfortunately, we were unable to include everyone in the previous pages, but we recognize their contributions to our education.









# GRADUATION







After four years of hard work and sacrifices, we started commencement week in a state of disbelief. In Fairmount Park's Horticultural Center on Tuesday, we dressed up and danced the night away at the Senior Formal. On Wednesday, we were welcomed into the Alumni Association at the City Line Hilton. Afterwards, members of the class were recognized for their outstanding achievements. Thursday night, we showed our families where we ate, slept, and studied our first two years. We reached the pinnacle on Friday, May 21, 2004 when we celebrated at our commencement ceremony. As our families, friends, and teachers looked on, we received our diplomas at the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts.

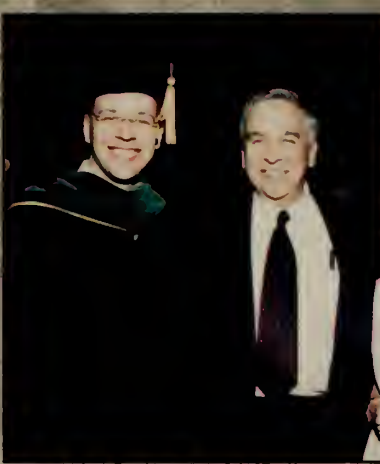
Congratulations - We did it!!!

























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Commencement Ceremony: May 21, 2004*



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Sant'hi Iyer, M.D.  
Nicole Marie Orr, M.D.

Invocation:

Michael Weingarten, M.D.

Remarks by Dean:

Stephen K. Klasko, M.D., M.B.A.

Honorary Degrees:

Doctor of Medical Science  
Doctor of Humane Letters

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Mark Morocco, M.D.

Investiture ('Hooding'):

Dennis M. Depace, Ph.D.  
Cheryl A. Hanau, M.D.



Administration of Oath:

Wilbur W. Oaks, M.D.

Graduate Remarks:

Jason T. Bradley, M.D.

Benediction:

Samuel K. Parrish, M.D.



# Oath of Hippocrates

I SOLEMNLY SWEAR OR AFFIRM by whatever  
I hold most sacred:

That I will be loyal to the profession of medicine and just  
and generous to its members;

That I will lead my life and practice my art in uprightness  
and in honor;

That into whatsoever house I shall enter, it shall be for the  
good of the sick to the utmost of my power, holding myself  
far aloof from wrong, from corruption, from the tempting of  
others to vice;

That I will exercise my art solely for the benefit of my  
patients, and I will give no drug, or perform no operation, for  
a criminal purpose, even if solicited, far less suggest it;

That whatsoever I shall see or hear of the lives of patients  
which is not fitting to be spoken, I will keep inviolably secret.

These things I do swear or affirm.









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# A FINAL FAREWELL FROM YOUR



WE'VE WORKED HARD OVER THE PAST YEAR TO PUT TOGETHER THE CLASS OF 2004 AESCULAPIAN. MANY WEEKENDS, NIGHTS AND VACATIONS WERE SPENT PUTTING TOGETHER THE PAGES THAT YOU SEE. FOR US, EACH COMPLETED PAGE BROUGHT BACK FOND MEMORIES OF FRIENDS MADE AND TIMES SHARED TOGETHER. WE HOPE THAT THIS YEARBOOK BRINGS BACK ALL OF YOUR MEMORIES OF THE PAST FOUR YEARS. WE COULD NOT HAVE COMPLETED THIS PROJECT WITHOUT THE HELP OF MANY. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THOSE WHO HELPED MAKE THIS YEARBOOK A REALITY. THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE STUDENTS WHO SHARED THEIR MEMORIES BY SUBMITTING THE PHOTOS THAT YOU SEE ON THESE PAGES. PHIL KLEIN, OUR JOSTEN'S EDITOR, MADE COMPLICATED TASKS LOOK EASY AND NEVER GAVE US GRIEF FOR MISSING DEADLINES. THANKS ALSO TO MARIE HARTMAN, SHAY MYERS, VICTOR CHEMERYS, BARBARA WILLIAMS, CARL WOLF STUDIOS AND SGA. A DEBT OF GRATITUDE TO THE MANY FAMILY, FRIENDS, FACULTY, AND HONORED PATRONS WHO SUPPORTED THE YEARBOOK BY PLACING ADS. THANKS TO THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR WELCOMING US INTO THEIR SMALL SPACE. FINALLY, THANK YOU TO OUR FRIENDS, FAMILY, AND, SPOUSES FOR PUTTING UP WITH US WHILE WE PUT TOGETHER THE YEARBOOK.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2004!!

WE TRULY HOPE YOU ENJOY THE YEARBOOK.



SINCERELY,

Mike

Vicki

Lori

Kiran

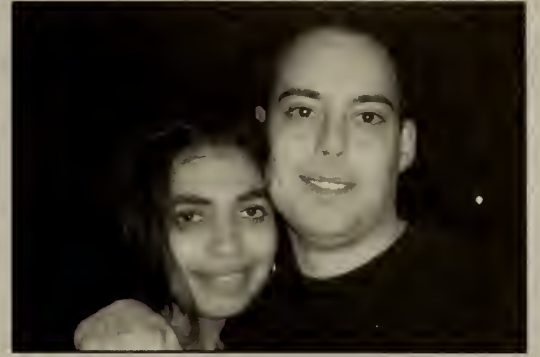
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# Messages from our Loved Ones ...



**Jason R. Yanofski:** I'm very proud of you and everything you accomplished. I'm glad you are becoming a doctor because ever since you were little that's what you wanted to be. I'm the proudest grandma in the world. Love Nanny

**Ashkan L. Naraghi:** Congratulations to our dearest grandson Dr. Ashkan L. Naraghi. With much love, your proud grandparents, Daddy Manouch & Pari John



**Jonathan Doroshow:** Congratulations to our grandson Jonathan Doroshow, M.D. We are so proud of you! Love, Grandmom & Grandpop

**Veda Manny:** Congratulations Veda! You worked hard to reach your goal remaining always caring and thoughtful. We are very proud of you and wish you good luck in your future. Mom-Dad-Grandma-Paul

**Tanya R. Allen:** Congratulations, Dr. Tanya R. Allen. We are proud of you. You reached for your goal and worked hard to make your dream come true. May God bless you in your future endeavors in becoming the greatest doctor. Love Juel And Kristian

**Jason R. Yanofski:** We are very proud of you. We never had a doctor in the family. Keep up the good work! We love you. Grandpa and Shiela

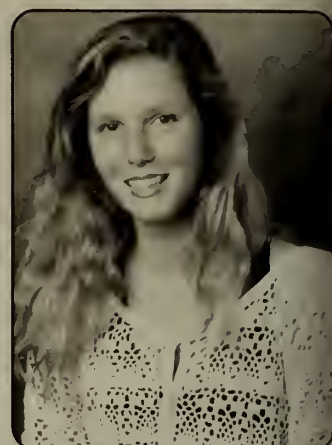






*Amy Elizabeth Alspach, M.D.*

*Congratulations!*



*Amy, you have accomplished what you set out to do.*

*We are extremely proud of you.*



*We love you very much,*



*Dad, Mom & Julie {the Cats too}*







You've worked hard to make your dreams come true. We've always believed you would reach your goals and you've proved us right. We are very proud of you and know you will be a fantastic doctor.

Love,  
Mom and family

## *Congratulations*

*Lisa Janett Cheley M.D.*



*The goal of Lisa is not only to find joy in medicine, but to bring more care and love into the world. Lisa's dream was to assist others no matter how hard the task.*

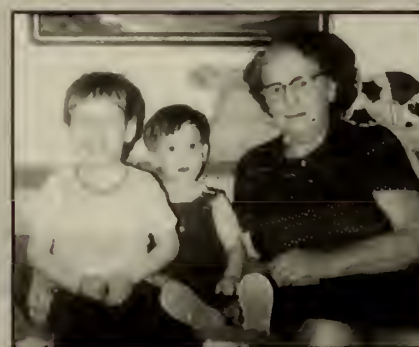
*We are proud to be your family.*

*~ Glen, Roy, Elvira and Dean Cheley*

## **Congratulations!** **Dr. John Andrew Gelzhiser**



To our son,  
who has always  
given his all in everything  
and has never let  
anything  
stand in his way.



*It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly; who errs and comes short again and again; because there is no effort without error and shortcomings; but who does actually strive to do the deed; who knows the great enthusiasm, the great devotion, who spends himself in a worthy cause, who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement and who at the worst, if he fails, at least he fails while daring greatly. So that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat.*

*-Theodore Roosevelt*



*We are proud of you, Dani!  
God's Blessing! And Love!*

*Grandma Edna,  
The Johnson's, The Dyers'  
and all the rest.*

**Todd Alexander Samter, M.D.**

**Congratulations & Best Wishes  
for continued success.  
We are all so proud of you!!**

**Love,  
Milton, Chris & Steven**

**Congratulations  
Ashkan L. Naraghi, M.D.**

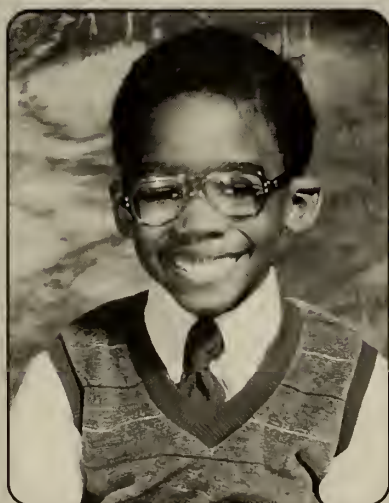


Words cannot express  
the pride we feel seeing  
you fulfill your dream.

With all our love,  
Mom & Dad

**KEEP SMILING..  
CONGRATULATIONS, DR.**

**WE LOVE YOU..  
MOM AND DAD**



**MICHAEL CAMERON SLEET**

**Sara E. Brooks, M.D.**

Your family is very proud of you.  
Congratulations and best wishes  
for continued success in your career.

All our love,  
Dad, Mom, Alison,  
Grandma, Granny & Grandpa

**Congratulations!  
Dr. Ali Mostajeean**

Ali joon we are so proud of you not because of your  
degree, but because of the person you have become.

Love,  
Momi, Dad, Bahareh and the rest of your relatives

P.S. We are very happy that you didn't listen to us,  
and become an engineer.



*Congratulations*  
*Dr. Tanya Allen*



*Today you have completed one of the greatest accomplishments of your life. We know that it took a lot of hard work and perseverance to reach this far in your career. It is with love, pride and joy that we salute you. We thank God for you, your life, and your dream, and ask his continued blessing on all your future endeavors. We wish you a fulfilling and happy life filled with joy and blessed with good health.*

*All our love,*

*Mom, Dad & Sister Veleka*

**Sarah C. Janicki, M.D., M.P.H.**



You reached for the stars  
and found many  
were within your grasp.



Sarah, Doctor and Master,  
you can change the world.

Our love and support always.  
~ Mom, Dad, Meg and Em



Dear Grandson Dr. Joey,  
If all of our best wishes for you  
were money, then you would be a  
millionaire! May the Lord bless  
you with a joyful, happy and  
successful future.  
Love always,  
Grandpa & Gramma

Joe,  
We admire your  
dedication and  
perseverance toward  
achieving your goals.  
These qualities will  
serve you well in  
your residency and  
career.  
We love you,  
Aunt Janice, Uncle  
Bill & Steven

Joe,  
There is a saying,  
"Challenges are what  
make life interesting;  
overcoming them is  
what makes life mean-  
ingful." Well, you have  
finished what you set  
out to do, overcoming  
the obstacles and more  
immediate pleasures.  
You've cultivated the  
virtue of persistence  
and as a result, I have  
no doubt you will  
overcome challenges  
yet faced and live a full  
and meaningful life.  
Congratulations on  
your graduation.  
Gerry

Joe,  
I hold you very dear  
to my heart. That  
special little boy  
turned successful  
man. You will be a  
very special doctor.  
I am sure you will  
make a difference in  
all the lives you  
touch. You touched  
mine!! Love you and  
Congratulations  
BJ

Congratulations,  
Aunt Kathy & Mike

Congratulations Uncle Joey!  
I'm so glad you've graduated.  
I'm very, very proud of you!  
Love,  
Jordan

# Joseph Kremer, M.D.

~ Joe ~

*To our son, who's always made us proud*

*And filled our hearts with joy*

*We knew that you were a special gift*

*From the time you were a little boy*

*You've always had such high character*

*Made good decisions and were thoughtful too*

*That as parents we questioned, just what we'd done*

*To deserve such a wonderful son like you*

*However, there are reasons for special blessings*

*That neither of us will second guess*

*Instead we'll just continue to be grateful*

*While we wish you nothing but success*

*So congratulations, on all that you've achieved*

*May your every wish and dream come true*

*We're overwhelmed with pride, at all you've accomplished*

*And from the bottom of our hearts.....We Love You!*

*Mom & Dad*

Joe,  
You've traveled many miles in pursuit of your  
dreams. Our love and prayers have traveled with  
you. Now that you are striking out on the next  
phase of your journey, know that we are always  
with you. We hope that the road to success will  
eventually lead you home.  
Love,  
Aunt Anita, Uncle Jan, Reid & Talie

Joe,  
You are going to be a wonderful doctor! I wish  
you all the best in the world and lots of love!  
Stephanie

Joe,  
I love you and wish you every  
success. Your Grandfather  
and I have always been  
so very proud of you.  
Love,  
Grandma

Joe,  
Congratulations Joe on the  
completion of another step in  
your journey to a rewarding  
life long career!!! You have  
always set high goals for  
yourself, and taken action to  
achieve them. You have our  
best wishes as you complete  
the next step in your journey.  
We love you and wish only  
the best for you. Congratu-  
lations once again and a  
"WELL DONE."  
Love,  
Dave & Mary

Joe,  
Congratulations on the  
completion of your medical  
education. Your persistence  
and determination in con-  
quering your career goal is  
admirable and makes us all  
proud of you.  
Uncle Gerry, Aunt Connie,  
Shawn, & Matt

Joe,  
One happy Uncle says  
congratulations on the  
completion of a long and  
difficult sojourn. Hope-  
fully now we'll get to see  
you more often!!  
Uncle Steve

Dr. Joe,  
We are so proud of you.  
We want to wish you  
much success for the  
future and we know the  
"medical world" has a  
great doctor.  
Congratulations and all  
our love,  
Jennifer, Joe & Evan

Congratulations,  
Missy, Mark, Madison,  
Delaney, Jordan &  
Preston



*Congratulations to  
Joan Theresa James, M.D.*



*You have made us all so proud to see you realize your lifelong dream of becoming a doctor. We know that your dedication and compassion will be a major asset in the profession you have chosen. May God grant you faith and courage to use your knowledge wisely and to always be aware that although knowledge comes from learning, wisdom must come from you. May the future bring you everything you desire.*

*Love Always,*

*Mom, Karen, Curtis, Dominique and Dylan*

**Dr. Kenny Banh**



What a challenging task  
and so excellently done!  
Words can't express the pride we feel  
seeing your dream realized.

Congratulations Kenny!

With all our love,  
Mom, Dad, Tony & Phil

**MICHAEL D. ORSI, M.D.**



CONGRATULATIONS, MIKE!

You always believed in yourself and now you have accomplished a lofty goal by your dedication and perseverance. We are immensely proud of you--one of the best of the best!

With love and admiration,  
Mom, Jimmy, Dave, Grandpa

**Aleka Reshamwala, M.D.**

*We are all very proud of you. We know that you will be an excellent doctor. You have worked hard to make your dream come true. We have believed you would reach your goals and you have proved us right.*



*Love,*  
*Mom - Dad - Rita & Niki*



## *Meghan Rose Ryerson, M.D.*

How blessed you are to realize  
your dream of becoming a doctor!  
How proud we are to see you reach  
your goal! How fortunate is the  
community that you will serve  
with compassion and care!

All Our Love,  
Mom, Dad & Molly



## Congratulations Kamal D. Dagly, M.D.



We are very happy and proud of  
you. We wish you the best of  
luck in your future endeavors.

Love,  
Mom, Dad and Premal

## Elisabeth Hewitt Mitchell, M.D.



You've done it again!  
Made us very happy  
and so proud of you!  
Congratulations

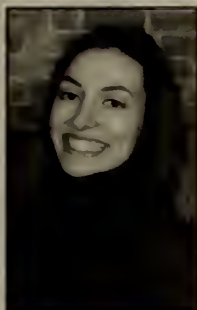
and much love,  
Mom, Dad and Greg





*Kerri A. Kissell, M.D.*

*Congratulations!  
Our Love Always,  
Mom, Dad, Kim  
& Katrina*



*My first  
two patients.*

Badar Jan, M.D.



You set high standards personally and professionally. You never lost your focus and worked diligently to achieve them. We are all very proud of you.

Mom, Dad,  
Halima, Imraan & Ayesha

**'Dr. Scott' Kevin Schweizer**  
**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**'You Did It'**



We are so very proud of ... YOU ...  
... the choices you have made in life ...  
... the application of your God given talents ...  
... and your commitment to reach your goals!

Lots of Love always,  
Mom and Dad

*Sapna*



*Your Precious Possessions  
Always have been  
Your Smile, Kindness,  
Respect for Others  
& Gentleness*

*And Now  
Being on the Take-MD  
A Dream Come True  
Congratulations and  
Best Wishes  
For a Bright Future*



Mom - Dad - Rupal - Sunny

*"A Diamond is -  
Charcoal That  
Never Quit Working"*



*Congratulations*  
*Dr. Jason T. Bradley*



*You have worked hard to make you dream come true. Your entire family including those no longer with us has always believed you would reach goal and you have proved us right. We are very proud of you and know you will be a fantastic doctor. Continue to follow your path of dreams and let no one stand in your way. May God bless you on your road to further success.*

*Love Always,  
Mom, Dad and Zac*

**Congratulations**  
**Karen N. Dewar, M.D.**



**We wish you a wonderful career and may your life be filled with joy and happiness. We are so proud of you.**

**Love,  
Amma, Thatha,  
Melanie and Amy**



**Doctor Mayzar Ahmadi**  
**Congratulations**

*You started your graduation a long time ago but now you are officially graduating. We are proud of you and love you very much.*

**DAD ~ HOOHI ~ MORY ~ MAMALI ~ SHAN ~ ASSALI**

**Congratulations to**  
**William F. DeWolf, M.D.**

*We are so proud of you! What a challenging undertaking and so excellently done. We know you are going to be an exceptional physician! Our love and best wishes for a fulfilling and happy life are with you.*

*Love,  
Mom, Dad and Angie*



Shikata Amlaria Mudakha, M.D.



*"You can do all things through Christ who strengthens you."*

*Congratulations  
Jonathan Doroshow, M.D.*



*You've met and exceeded every goal you set  
for yourself as a physician and a scholar.  
And you've made all of us who love you very  
proud.*

*Love,  
Mom, Dad, Matthew, Jeremy and Stacy*

**Congratulations Dr. Jason R. Yanofski**



*"I wish that on my 24th birthday I will become a doctor."*

*You have always amazed us in the past, the present and we are excited  
to see what you do in the future. We know it will be something amazing.*

*You made us very proud and we love you so much,  
DAD, MOM, HEATHER & SCOTTY*



# *Nicole Birmingham, M.D.*



*The medical bag has been passed on and we are all so proud of you. You will surely be the best pediatrician any parent could hope for!*



*Congratulations Nikki!*

*With Love,*

*Dad, Mom, Brian and Scot*

## **TODD ALEXANDER SAMPTER, M.D.**

**CONGRATULATIONS!!**

I AM SO PROUD OF YOU. ITS BEEN A LONG ROAD AND YOU DID IT. I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO BEING A PART OF THE JOURNEY THAT LIES AHEAD. I KNOW YOU WILL BE AN EXCELLENT AND COMPASSIONATE DOCTOR. YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS WILL TOUCH THE LIVES OF MANY.



**YOU ARE MY SUNSHINE  
AND I LOVE YOU!!!  
LOVE, LAUREN**

## *Dr. Betsy Ann Pathickal*

*Congratulations and Best Wishes  
to Daddy's little girl.*



*May you make use of your knowledge  
and skills to serve the poor, sick,  
underprivileged people of the world.*

*With love and prayers.*

*From Mom, Dad, Lovely, Binu, Jessica & Jonathan*





*Dear Anthony "John-John" Co, M.D.,*

*Congratulations on your medical degree!  
We give thanks to God, and celebrate with you,  
all of your accomplishments and sacrifices  
in becoming a physician. We know  
you will make a great doctor who puts his  
whole heart into caring for his patients.  
We are filled with so much joy and pride as we  
witness the fulfillment of four years  
of hard work. Thank you for always bringing  
so much happiness into our lives.*

*We love you very much!*

*Good Job, Daddy!*

*With love,  
Dad, Mom, Kaye, Joy, Yoojung and Caleb.*





# Congratulations, Kiranpreet Kaur Chawla, M.O!!



*Congrats to the Class of 2004!!*

*We are Proud of your  
accomplishments and know that  
the best years of your life are  
ahead of you.*

*All of our Love,*

*Harbhajan, Jagjit,  
Lakhmir, Satvinder,  
& Tejpal Chawla*



*To Kiran*  
I wanted a little girl doll to play mother, to  
dream and care for,  
But I got you, a carefree girl child, with a  
mind of her own;  
I wanted to dress you in velvet and satins  
with matching shoes,  
You wanted T-shirts, jeans, and flannels;  
I wanted a quiet pensive girl which  
I could mold,  
You were vibrant, energetic, and difficult  
to mold;  
Thanks to your father for his patience.  
God created you perfect.  
You are beautiful, smart, intelligent, and  
a leader too!  
You have grown up to be a graceful  
woman with dreams & wishes of your own.  
May all of your wishes & dreams be ful-  
filled.  
Thank your Waheguru for knowing what  
we really need.  
Mom  
xoxo



*Congratulations*

*to*

*Dr. and Mrs. Michael A. Lane*



*May all your dreams, aspirations and  
achievements be as endless as the love  
and good wishes we have for both of  
you.*



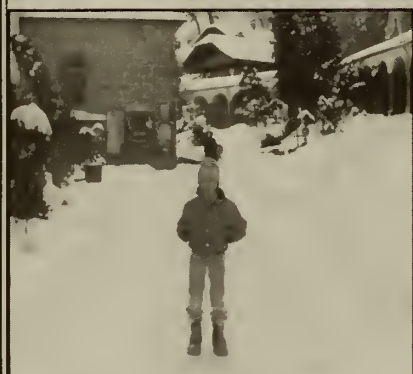
*So proud of you always ...*

*Mom, Dad, Alyssa and Brian*





**CONGRATULATIONS,  
JESSE DUNCAN BAER, M.D.**



**WE ARE ALL VERY  
PROUD OF YOU !!!**



**LOVE ALWAYS,  
MOMMY & DADDY  
HEIDI & JENIFFER**





Our heartfelt congratulations to  
**Matthew B. Myers, M.D.**



We are so proud of you! You have achieved and accomplished so much over these past four years. We know that you will be an outstanding doctor! We wish you and Jenny a happy and productive life together always!

All our love,  
Mom & Brian, Dad & Debbie, and Eric  
The Myers Family & The Shorkey Family

**CONGRATULATIONS,  
DR. JOSEPH RUAN JR.**



WE ARE ALL VERY PROUD OF YOU.  
WHAT A CHALLENGING UNDERTAKING,  
AND SO EXCELLENTLY DONE.

OUR BEST WISHES FOR A FULFILLING LIFE,  
CURING THE SICK,  
HEALING THE WOUND,  
SAVING THE SOUL,  
CARING FOR THOSE IN PAIN, AND  
LOVING THOSE IN NEED.  
GOD BLESS YOU

PHILIPPIANS 4:4-7

LOVE ALWAYS,  
DAD, MOM AND BERTIE

*Alison R. DuBoff, M.D.*



*You have worked so hard to make your dreams come true. You have reached for the stars and you have caught them. We have always believed you would reach your goals. We are so very proud of you.*

*Love Always,  
Mommy, Daddy and Lauren*

*Danielle.*



*We have watched you fulfill your dream. With diligence, perseverance, and tenacity you have stayed the course. Your faith in God and the love of your family has helped you accomplish and finish this task.*

*All Praise to God for his steadfastness and favor shown to you.*

*We love you and are so proud of our Doctor Daughter.*

*Love you always and forever.*

*Mom, Dad, Geoffrey, Jessica,*

*The Johnson's, The McMillan's,*

*The Hardens, and Your Church Family.*



*To God Be the Glory!*



"★★★★!"  
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# VICKI TING

*ACTION M.D.*

"A FUNNY-SEXY  
SCARY POWERHOUSE!!"  
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FAVOR, GET TO  
KNOW DR. TING!"

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## Julie Silverstein, M.D.



Dearest Julie,

Congratulations on this very significant milestone! Daddy was always so proud of you. We are very proud also, and know that you have a wonderful future ahead of you.

With all our love,  
Mommy, Dan, Matt, Lori, and Jennifer

*"If you can dream it,  
you can do it."*

*-Walt Disney*



Dr. Keith Thatch

Your dream is becoming a reality. We  
are so proud of you.

Love,  
Mom, Dad, Peter & Lauren



Congratulations,  
Ashish Raju, M.D.  
We are so proud of you.  
Our dream started when  
you were born.



**We know you are going  
to be an exceptional  
Surgeon.**

**Our love and best  
wishes are with you  
always.**

**Mom, Dad and Pooja**



## TYLER SETO, M.D.

**YOU SET A DISTANT GOAL MANY YEARS  
AGO, AND YOU WALKED STEADILY TOWARD  
IT. NOW IT IS TIME TO TAKE PRIDE IN  
YOUR ACHIEVEMENT. BE GRATEFUL TO  
THOSE WHO HELPED YOU ALONG YOUR  
WAY, AND GIVE OF YOUR HAPPINESS TO  
OTHERS AS A PHYSICIAN.**

**WITH OUR PRIDE AND LOVE,  
MOM, DAD, ZACH, AND JENNY**

## *Jeffrey D. Steinig, M.D.*

*Congratulations on your graduation.  
Now the real work and fun begins.*

*Love,*

*Dad, Mom, Jill, Laura, Jose, Katelyn,  
Grandmom, & Grandpop*





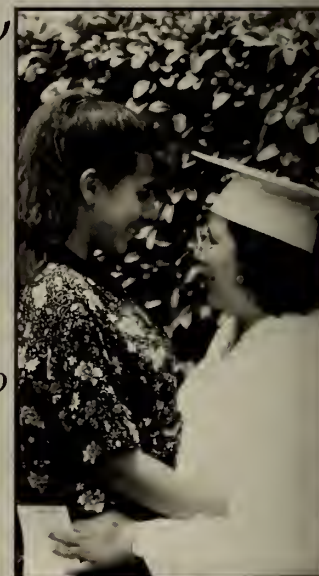
*The Smith and Guevara Family Members and Friends of*

## *Doctor Alicia Amelia Guevara*

Wish to acknowledge your achievement  
and to share in your joy and happiness  
with the entire world.

*Lorraine, Rene, Randolph, Martin,  
Cynthia and Laura*

*And all your Aunts, Great Aunts, Uncles and Great  
Uncles who are so proud of you and happy they were  
there for you as models and in their prayers with wel-  
comed positive encouragement. Also to honor those who  
were special to you but are no longer among us.*





DR. ANUP C. KATHERIA (PATEL)

YOU HAVE WORKED HARD TO MAKE YOUR  
DREAMS COME TRUE. WORDS CAN'T  
EXPRESS THE PRIDE PARENTS FEEL  
SEEING THEIR CHILD REALIZE HIS  
DREAM.

WITH LOTS OF LOVE,  
MOM, DAD, BINU, SUNITA AND FAMILY



Keith Michael Spellman, M.D.

**Congratulations, Keith**

Go, Guy!



We are proud and delighted for you.

Love,  
Marty, Sherril, Uncle Mike, Arleen, Kelly,  
Mom, and Dad

Every goal in life has a price...



Some may require pain, money, sacrifice and time...



Spencer C. Checketts, M.D.

Words cannot express how we honor and love you...  
because you have paid the price!

Love Mom, Dad and all the rest of the family



**TODD A. SAMTER**

WE ARE SO PROUD OF OUR WONDERFUL SON,  
SUPER GREAT BROTHER,  
ALWAYS LOVING GRANDSON,  
AND BRAND NEW DOCTOR!!  
WITH ALL OUR LOVE,  
HILARY, DAD, ALEXIS, ALISON, JONATHAN  
AND G'MA JILL AND G'PA GEORGE

**TODD ALEXANDER SAMTER, M.D.**

YOU ALWAYS FILL OUR HEARTS WITH PRIDE!  
CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES.  
LOVE,  
MOM, JON & ALI

**DAVID M. JACKSON, M.D.**

You set yourself an ambitious goal  
And you acheived it with distinction.  
**We are all so proud of you.**  
We know you will be an outstanding  
orthopaedic surgeon.  
Mom, Dad, Mike and Pop

**SARAH DUNN TRETER, M.D.**

*'No bird soars too high if he soars  
with his own wings.'* ~William Blake

OUR LOVE AND CONGRATULATIONS,  
GRANNY, PAPA, MOM, DAD & MARS,  
MATTHEW & TIFANIE, LYDIA &  
EDSON, ALEJANDRA, ALEX, & BABY

**JENNY VENGALIL, M.D.**

A JOB WELL DONE. MAY GOD  
CONTINUE TO BLESS,  
AND FULFILL YOUR DREAMS!

LOVE,  
MOM, DAD & REGI

**Tanya R. Allen, M.D.**

Sis,  
Congratulations on such a great accom-  
plishment and joyous occasion. May you  
have a fulfilled and happy life where all your  
dreams and future endeavors become a  
reality.

Love, Briannagh, Terry and Tessa

**Robert G. Yavrouian, M.D.**

Congratulations!  
You made it, Doc!  
We are all so proud of you!

With all our love,  
Mom, Dad, Janet and the gang

**Lisa Maria Grandinetti, M.D.**

Congratulations! You have worked so hard to fulfill your dream.  
We wish you tremendous success and happiness. We know  
that you will be an outstanding and compassionate Doctor.

Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Gina





*“Education is  
not received,  
but acheived.”  
~Anonymous*

Even though you're  
a doctor now,  
you'll always be  
our Bebs.

Love, Mom & Dad



**Congratulations,**

**LORI,**

**On another  
one of your  
many  
acheivements!**

*Even though youre a doctor now, youll  
always be our  
Hork-Bajir  
Love,  
Anne & JJ*





# *Congratulations, Dr. Laila F.M. Contractor!*

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Dr. Farhad

*Laila*

*We are so proud of YOU*

*You will be a compassionate, caring & dedicated physician.  
May You continue to be the pride and joy of your family & friends.*

*With Ahura Mazda's Blessings and All our Love,  
Mom, Dad, Cyra & RoZal*



*My Best Friend for Life- My Sis  
You have made me Proud  
~ Cyra*



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to that which is good.**

**Face today with  
faith and courage.**

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*and the*  
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Luck to the Class of 2004  
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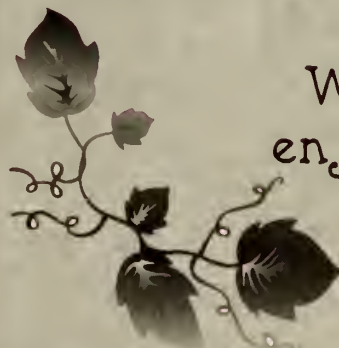
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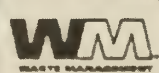
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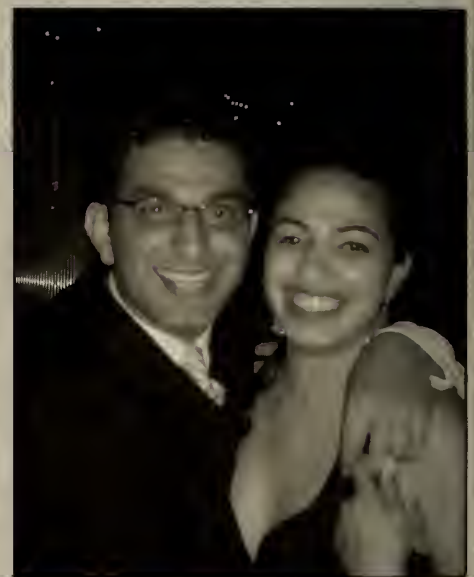
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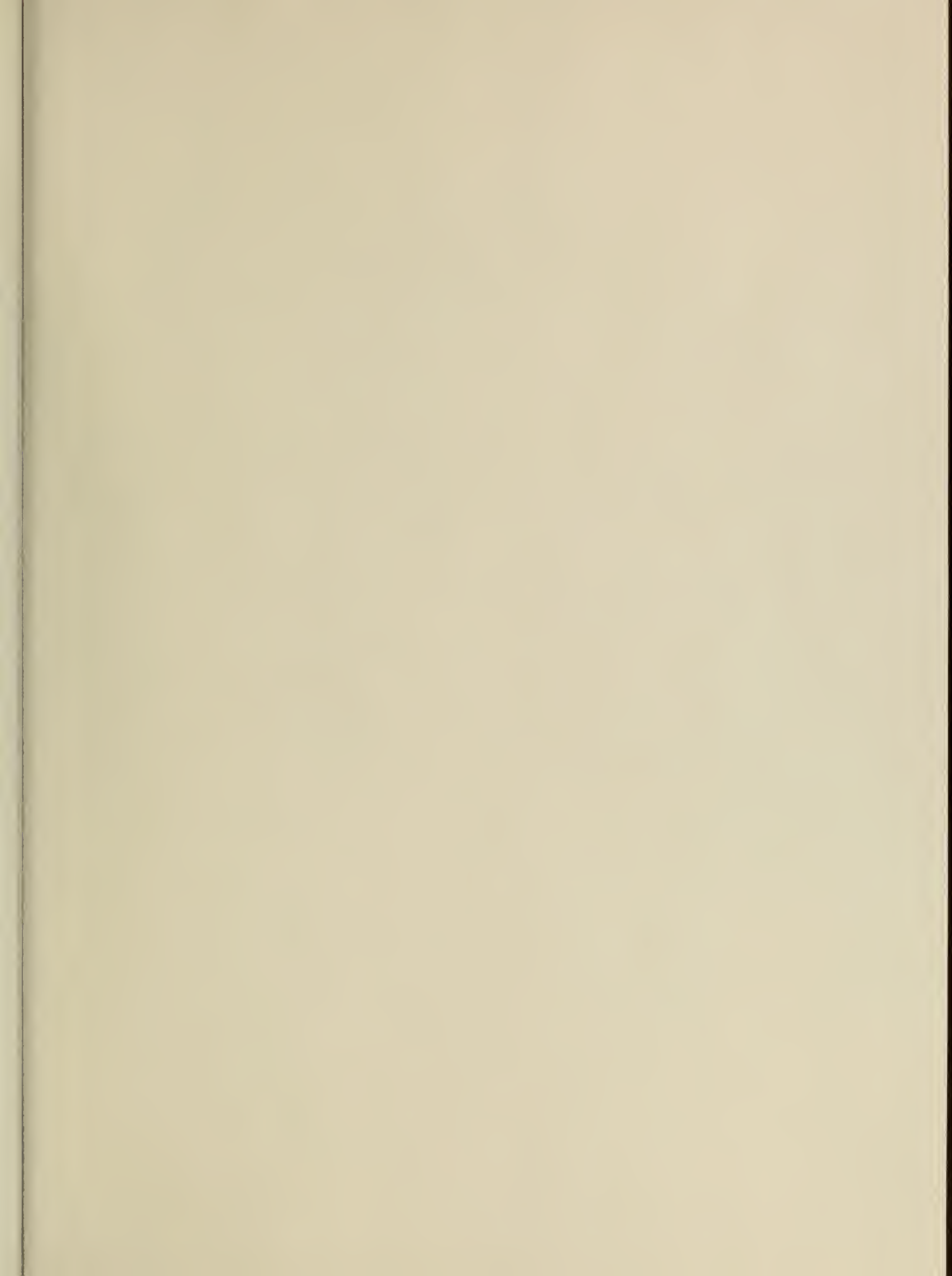














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